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Date.	Steamers.	Tons.	Connecting at Aden with	Tons
4th Jan	S. LORETTE	6240	MANTUA	11000
11th "	MACEDONIA	10850	MALWA	11099
18th "	ARABIA	8301		
23rd "	SALSETTE	6090	MOOLTAN	10500
25th "	CHINA	8000		
1st Feb.	LORETTE	6090	MALOJA	12500
8th "	EGYPT	8090		
15th March	PERSIA	11930		
4th "	ARABIA	8300		
15th "	SALSETTE	6090	MARMORA	10500
29th "	CALEDONIA	7987		
22nd "	MANTUA	11097		
29th "	SALSETTE	6090	MEDINA	12500
5th April	ARABIA	8300		
12th "	MOLDAVIA	12750		
19th "	MALOJA	12591		
26th "	SALSETTE	6090	MONGOLIA	10500
3rd May	EGYPT	8090		
10th "	SALSETTE	6090	MACEDONIA	10500
17th "	PERSIA	8300		

All the above Steamers are fitted with
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ACCELERATED LINE TO TRIESTE.

Steamers.	Tons	Captains	To sail on
Bregenz	3935	A. de Petris	16th Jan 1913
Cleopatra	4033	N. Obersich	1st Feb. "
Semiramis	3999	P. Pavisich	15th Feb. "
Gablonz	8000	...	1st Mar. "
Habsburg	3379	E. Seberich	16th Mar. "
Cleopatra	4033	N. Obersich	1st April "
Semiramis	3999	P. Pavisich	16th April "
Gablonz	8000	...	1st May "
Habsburg	3379	E. Seberich	16th May "
Cleopatra	4033	N. Obersich	1st June "

ORDINARY LINE via KARACHI.

Steamers.	Tons.	Captains.	To sail about
Vorwaerts	5930	R. Dannecker	28th Feb.
F. Scellanzi	6045	C. A. Lova	28th Mar.
Austria	7518	G. Kulisich	25th April.

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To Trieste or Venice and back... " 750
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To Trieste or Venice ..... Rs. 350
To Trieste or Venice and back... " 525
To London via Trieste ..... " 439 to 449†
To London via Trieste and back. " 683 to 723†
* Fares according to class of Railway.
† Fares according to Route on Railway.

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STEAMER TO JAPAN via COLOMBO, PENANG, SINGAPORE, HONGKONG, SHANGHAI, YOKOHAMA AND KOBE.

Steamer.	Tons.	Captain.	To sail about
F. Scellanzi	6045	P. A. Leva	7th Jan. 1913

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INTEND TO DESPATCH STEAMERS AS FOLLOWS:—

FOR KARACHI,
Weekly from Victoria Dock.

Steamers.	Tons.	Sailing Date.	Time.	Route via
Kaisra	1195	Thurs. 2nd Jan.	9 a.m.	† C.M.
Dwarka	1195	Friday 3rd Jan.	‡ 6 a.m.	direct.
Lhasa	2184	Mon. 6th Jan.	11 a.m.	* P.D. & C.M.

† Cutch Mandvie.
‡ Or later on arrival of English Mail Steamer.
* Porebunder, Dwarka, Cutch Mandvie.

FOR KARACHI AND BUSREH.
(Weekly).

S.S. "Kaisra" 1,195 tons, on Thursday, 2nd Jan. calling at Muscat, Bushire, and Mohomerah.

FOR KARACHI AND PERSIAN GULF PORTS.
(Weekly.)

S.S. "Palitana" 2,998 tons, on Thursday, 2nd January, calling at Veraval, Maugrol, Karachi, Pasni, Charbar, Muscat, Bunder Abbas, Henjam, Linga, Bahrein, Bushire, Mahomerah and Busreh.

FOR EAST AND SOUTH AFRICA.
(Fortnightly.)

S.S. "Pandua," 3305 tons, on Thursday, 9th January, calling at Lamoo, Mombasa, Zanzibar Dar-es-salam, Beira, Delagoa Bay and Durban.

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A Steamer on or about 11th January.

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2nd January, 1913.

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ELLERMAN'S CITY & HALL LINES.

(JOINT SERVICE).

Approximate sailings from Bombay and Karachi for Marseilles, Liverpool, &c.

Steamers.	Tons.	Leave Liverpool about 1913	Due Bombay about 1913	Leave Bombay about 1913	Leave Karachi about 1913
Merton Hall*	4327	.....	3 Jan.	10 Jan.	..
City of Lahore	6875	.....	..	..	10 Jan.
City of Paris	9200	.....	2/3 Jan.	..	25 "
City of Birmingham	7475	.....	15 "	19 Feb.	8 Feb.

NOTE.—All the above Steamers except the Lochalsh Hall and Trafford Hall have second class accommodation.
*These are "B" class steamers.

Fares.	1st class Single	1st class Return	2nd class Single	2nd class Return
	£s.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.
Marseilles	378	891	429	649
London via Marseilles	633	1,091	489	809
Liverpool	606	957	462	704

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Silver Reserve Fund	$ 17,000,000
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Amoy	Ipoh	Rangoon
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Canton	Lyons	Singapore
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Interest allowed at 2 per cent. per annum on daily Balance of Rs. 1,000 to Rs. 100,000 provided the sum accrued amount to Rs. 5 half-yearly.

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NATIONAL BANK OF INDIA, LD.

SUBSCRIBED CAPITAL	£2,000,000
PAID UP CAPITAL	£1,000,000
RESERVE FUND	£ 950,000

HEAD OFFICE:
26, BISHOPSGATE, LONDON E. C.

BRANCHES:

Calcutta,	Cochin,	Zanzibar,
Bombay,	Chittagong,	Mombasa,
Madras,	Rangoon,	Nairobi,
Karachi,	Mandalay,	Nakuru,
Lahore,	Colombo,	Kisumu,
Amritsar,	Kandy,	Jinja,
Delhi,	Newara-Eliya,	Kampala,
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The Bank undertakes the purchase and sale of Government Securities, Stocks, and Shares and receive same for safe custody, realising Interest and Dividend, when due.

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Post Box No. 141. RALPH KIDD,
BOMBAY. Acting Manager.

COX & CO.,

BANKERS AND AGENTS
ESTABLISHED 1758.

Registered under the Companies (Consolidated) Act 1908.

CAPITAL PAID UP	£400,000
RESERVE	£ 50,000

HEAD OFFICE:—16, Charing Cross, Londons.
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INSURANCE of every description effected.
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ESTABLISHED 7TH SEPTEMBER, 1906,
Incorporated under the Indian Companies Act VI. of 1882.

HEAD OFFICE:
ORIENTAL BUILDINGS,
BOMBAY.

CAPITAL SUBSCRIBED	Rs. 1,00,00,000
CAPITAL CALLED UP	" 50,00,000
RESERVE FUND	" 3,00,000

CURRENT DEPOSIT ACCOUNTS.

INTEREST is allowed on daily balances from Rs. 500 to Rs. 1,00,000 at the rate of 2½ per cent. p. a. from December 1st to May 31st, and at 2 per cent p. a., for the remaining six months. On sums exceeding Rs. 1,00,000 interest is allowed by special arrangement. No interest will be allowed which does not amount to Rs. 3 per half year.

FIXED DEPOSITS.

Deposits are received fixed for one year or for shorter periods at rates of interest which can be ascertained on application.

LOANS, OVERDRAFTS, & CASH CREDITS.

The Bank grants accommodation on terms to be arranged against approved security.

The Bank undertakes on behalf of its Constituents the safe custody of shares and Securities and the collection of dividends and interest thereon; it also undertakes the sale and purchase of Government Paper and all descriptions of Stocks at moderate rates, particulars of which may be had on application.

H. P. STRINGFELLO
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PURE ITALIAN OLIVE OIL, unimpeachable for purity.
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" " "	18 to 25 lbs.	" 1-2 per lb.
Whole Cooked Hams trimmed & ready for the table		2-0 per lb.
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FANCY PRESENTATION BOXES of SWEETS and CHOCOLATES, XMAS CRACKERS, SANTA CLAUS STOCKINGS, ARTIFICIAL FLOWERS for Table Decoration, etc., etc., etc.

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New Premiums (1911)	... 16 Lakhs	"
Annual Income	... ... 2¼ Crores	"
Assets	 16	" "
Total Payments under Policies	42	" "
Actuarially Certified Profits for the Quinquennium ending December 31st, 1910	... 66 Lakhs	"

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ESTABLISHED 1825.

CLAIMS PAID	£ 29,500,000
ACCUMULATED FUNDS	13,000,000
ANNUAL REVENUE	1,550,000
BONUS DECLARED	3,170,000

A Reversionary Bonus at the rate of 1¼ per cent. (or Rs. 15 per Rs. 1,000 assured) per annum, has been declared for the five years ended 15th November, 1910.

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DOUBLE ENDOWMENTS at English Rates.
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PUBLIC NOTIFICATIONS.

ALCOCK ASHDOWN AND COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE is hereby given that an EXTRAORDINARY GENERAL MEETING of Alcock Ashdown and Company, Limited, will be held at the Registered Office of the Company, the Carnac Iron Works, Frere Road, Bombay, on MONDAY, the 6th day of January, 1913, at 4 o'clock (S.T.), in the afternoon, when the resolutions which are set out in the notice sent to the Shareholders will be proposed. Should the resolutions be passed by the required majority, they will be submitted for confirmation as Special Resolutions to a second Extraordinary General Meeting which will be subsequently convened.

Dated this 20th day of December, 1912.

By Order of the Directors,
D. LONGWORTH,
Senior Secretary and Manager.

Carnac Iron Works,
Carnac Bunder, Bombay.

THE NATIONAL FINANCING AND COMMISSION CORPORATION, LIMITED.

NOTICE is hereby given that the FIRST STATUTORY MEETING of the above Corporation, will be held at the Registered Office of the Corporation, No. 75, Apollo Street, Fort, Bombay, on THURSDAY, the 9th January, 1913, at 4 p. m., (S. T.), to transact the following business :—

1. To receive the Directors' Report.
2. To elect Directors of the Corporation as all the present Directors retire but are eligible for re-election.
3. To appoint Auditor or Auditors, and fix their remuneration.

By Order of the Board,
C. I. PAREKH & Co.,
Agents.

Bombay, 23rd December, 1912.

NOTICE.

WE beg to announce that the services of Mr. GEO. SMITH who was in our employ, have been DISPENSED with from 17th December, 1912.

LEACH AND WEBORNY,
A. SYDNEY SMITH,
Sole Proprietor.

NOTICE OF DISSOLUTION OF PARTNERSHIP.

NOTICE is hereby given that the PARTNERSHIP hitherto carried on at Forbes Building Home Street, Bombay, by Messrs. NASSERWANJEE NOWROSJEE WADIA, RUSTOMJEE NOWROSJEE WADIA, and GEORGE ASHBY, under the style of NOWROSJEE WADIA and SONS has been DISSOLVED by mutual consent from the 31st day of December, 1912, so far as regards the said GEORGE ASHBY, who retires from the said Firm on the date aforesaid. The said Nasserwanjee Nowrosjee Wadia and Rustomjee Nowrosjee Wadia WILL CONTINUE TO CARRY on the business under the present name and style of NOWROSJEE WADIA and SONS.

Dated this 23rd day of December, 1912.

THE CLUB OF WESTERN INDIA is prepared to receive OFFERS for the purchase of their ELECTRIC LIGHT PLANT which is larger than necessary for their requirements.

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IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT BOMBAY.

ORDINARY ORIGINAL CIVIL JURISDICTION.

Suit No. 249 of 1911.

BHAISHANKER NANABHAI and another ..... Plaintiffs.

Vs.

GORDHANDAS GOKULDAS TEJPAL ..... Defendant.

PURSUANT to the decree made in the above suit and bearing date the 20th day of November, 1911, the following immovable property will be SOLD BY PUBLIC AUCTION, by the Commissioner of this Hon'ble Court, at his office, in the Court House, on THURSDAY, the 9th day of January, 1913, at the hour of half-past four o'clock in the afternoon (Standard Time.)

PARTICULARS.

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LONDON MARKETS.

LIVERPOOL, Dec. 31 | 1, Jan. 1.

COTTON.

LIVERPOOL—
Spot ... Easier—Fair demand.
Futures ... Quiet Steady
Manchester ... .
Total sales ... 10,000 bales.
Held on speculation and for Export... 100 "
Imports ... 10,000 "
Transactions ... 7-11—Oct.
Egyptian W. T. F. Brown ... 10-10 unchgd
Sales yesterday 2,000 bales.

FUTURE DELIVERY PRICES:—

Jan.-Jan.	Jan.-Feb.	Feb.-Mar.	Mar-Apl.	Apr.-May.
6 85	6 82	6 81	6 80	6 78
—02	unchgd	—01	—01	—01

May-June	June-July.	July-Aug.	Aug Sept.
6 76	6 74	6 69	6 58
—01	—01	—01	—02

Liverpool market closed until Friday.

NEW YORK— Sales.
Day's Receipts at U. S. Ports ... 65,000
" Receipts at " last year ... .
" Exports to Great Britain ... 10,000
" Exports to Continent ... 8,000
Spot Cotton ... 12-10 unchgd

Futures—Month of Jan. 12-74+01 | Declined owing to reported slack spot demand and advanced on bull support and shorts covering.

Futures—Month of May. 12-61—01

NEW ORLEANS—
Spot cotton ... 12 7-8 unchgd
Futures month of Jan. ... 12 72—73
Futures month of May. ... 12 61—63
Tone of Spot Cotton ... Quiet.

New York and New Orleans closed until Thursday

WHEAT.

Wheat White Delhi ... ... Nominal
Do. Months ... ...
Do. Name of Ports ... ...
Wheat White Karachi 33 3-4
Do. Months ... ... Dec.-Jan.
Do. Name of Ports—London—Buyers.
Wheat Red Karachi ... ... 39 1-2 unchgd
Do Months—Dec.-Jan—London—Value.
Tone—Firm.

SEEDS.

RAPESEED—
Yellow Cawnpore per 416 lbs 88 p.c. ex-ship. ... 50 1-2
Do. Months— ... Dec.-Jan
Do. Name of Ports—Antwerp—Sellers.
Yellow Gujarat, per 416 lbs. 90 p.c. ex-ship ... Nominal
Do. Months— ... .
Do. Name of Ports.— ... .
Brown Cawnpore ... 47 1-2
Do. Months— ... Dec.-Jan.
Do. Name of Ports.—Antwerp—Sellers.
Tone—Easier.

LINSEED—
Bombay, per 416 lbs ex-ship ... 48 1-1
Do. Months— ... March-May
Do. Name of Ports—Antwerp—Buyers.
Tone—Quiet but steady.
Linseed Argentine—La Plata ... 43
Do. Months— ... Jan.-Feb.
Do. Name of Ports—Hamburg—Sellers.

COTTONSEED.—
Bombay Cottonseed Market ... 26-15-0
Dec. Jan.—Hull—Nearest value—Firm.

MISCELLANEOUS.

COFFEE—
In New York Fair Rio (No. 7 quality) ... 13 7-8 unchgd

RUBBER—
Para Rubber... ... 4 7
Jan.-Feb.—Sellers—Firm.

METALS—
Standard Copper G M B ... £ 76 3-4
Copper Braziers ... £ 84 1-4
Yellow Metal ... £. 7 3-8d.

FREIGHTS—
Coals—Cardiff, to Bombay Canal... 13-6 Nominal.

ARRIVALS:—
"Mary Ada Short".

SUGAR—
German Granulated Sugar C & F India (Double bags) ... 12 10 1-2
Do Months of Shipment...Jan.-Mar.—Sellers.
Tone—Dull—Very little business.
American Crystals Sugar C & F India 12s 9 3-4d
Do Months of Shipments ... Jan.-Mar.—Sellers.
Tone—Neglected.
German Beet-root 89 p.c. ... 9 5 1-4
Months of Shipments ... Dec.—Sellers
Tone.—Very moderate business.
A & A similar Crystal C & F India 14 1 1-2
Months of Shipments ... Mar-Aug.—Sellers.
Tone—Dull and little doing in buyers favour.
Mauritius Crystals C & F Calcutta and Bombay ... 12 6
Months of Shipments ... Dec.—Value.
Tone—Quiet
Java Sugar—Unchanged.

BOMBAY MARKETS.

BOMBAY, Jan. 1.

All markets closed for New Years Day.

GRIFFITHS' COMMERCIAL TELEGRAMS.

NEW YORK, Dec. 31.

Day's Receipts at U. S. Ports ... 75,000 Bales
Exports to Great Britain ... 49,000 do.
Exports to Continent ... ... 2,000 do.
Spot Cotton at New York ... 13-20
Future Cotton at New York—Jan.. 12-74+1
Future Cotton at New York—May... 12-66—1
Tone Market at closing Spot—Quiet—Futures—Quiet

General Tone Market opened:—
Steady and early declined on bear pressure and liquidation, later advanced on commission house buying.

NEW ORLEANS, Dec. 31.

Spot Cotton at New Orleans ... 12 7-8
Future Cotton at New Orleans—Jan. 12 72—2
Future Cotton at New Orleans—May. 12 25—3
Opening Tone of Market—Closed—Steady.
Total Stock at U. S. Ports ... } Holiday
Total Stock at U. S. Ports Interior Towns ... } Wednesday.
Stock in London ... ...

LIVERPOOL, Dec. 31.

COTTON.

Cotton.—The Liverpool market opened for spot ... ...Quiet and closed Easier
Do. The Liverpool market closed for futures ... ... Quiet but Steady
Do. The Liverpool market closed for East Indian ... ... do.
Total Day's Sales ... ... 10,000 bales.
Sales on spec and export ... ... 500 do
Total Sales of Surat ... ...
Total Day's Imports ... ...
Coconada Fair Red—Ldn. C. I. F. ... 5 9-16
Coconada Ginned—Ldn. C. I. F. ... 5 11-16
Egyptian F. G. Fair Brown 10
Good Bhownuggur ... ... 6 2-16d.
Good Bengal ... ... 5 10-16d.
F. G. Bengal ... ... 5 12-16d.
Fine Bengal ... ... 5 14-16d.
Good Madras Westerns Ldn ... 6 1-16d.
F. G. F. Tinnevelly L'pool C. I. F. ... 6 1-2d.
Geo. Mayalls Yarns 11 1-2
40's Mule Twist (Bannermills) ... 11 3-4
Weft 54 American 12 1-2
Weft 80 Egyptian 17 1-2
Weft 32's 14 1-8
Twist 36 ... ... 10 3-4
Twist 42 ... ... 11 7-8
Twist American 60 ... 13 7-8
Twist Egyptian 60 ... 17 3-8
Twist Egyptian 80 ... 20 1-4
Tone of Fine Yarns ... .
Tone of Coarse Yarns ... .
Mid American at Liverpool... ... 7-11—6
Cotton Daily Mid Uplands G. O. C. Liverpool—
Dec.-Jan. ... ... 6 86—2
Jan.-Feb. ... ... 6 82—1
Feb-Mar. ... ... 6 81—1
Mar-Apl. ... ... 6 80—1
Apl.-May ... ... 6 78—1
May-June ... ... 6 75—1
June-July ... ... 6 74—1
July-Aug. ... ... 6 69—3
Aug.-Sept. ... ... 6 53—2

MANCHESTER, Dec. 31.

Manchester Piece Goods Market—Firm
Fair enquiry for Staples.
Markets closed Wednesday and Thursday.

LONDON, Dec. 31.

WHEAT AND SEEDS.

Linseed, 4 p. c. Refraction, Landed Terms (per 410 lbs)...Ard.-May—Ldn.—46 ...Sellers.
Do. Bombay ex-ship (per 416lbs) ...Dec.-Jan.—Dunkirk—48 9 "
Do. La Plata...Jan.-Feb.—Hamburg— 42 6 "
Do. Tone of Market at close ... Steady
Do. Tendency of the Market... .....
Linseed Oil Spot Pipes. ... Dec.—£25 5 0 "
do ...Feb.-Mar.—£25-0-0 "
Cotton Seed Oil Spot ... ... Steady
Poppyseed Canal...Dec.-Jan.—Hamburg 68 "
Do. Tone of Market at close ... Steady.
Rapeseed Yellow Cawnpore, per 416 lbs 85 p.c. exship ...Dec.-Jan.—Antwerp 50 3 "
Do. Tone of Market at close ... Steady.
Cotton seed. Bombay parcels ... Dec.-Jan.—Hull—£9-15-0 "
Do. Tone of Market at close ... Steady
Gingelly seed. Bombay 15 p.c....Dec.-Jan.—London 61 "
Wheat. Choice white Karachi ... Dec.-Jan.—London— 39 "
Do. F A Q Red Karachi (per 492 lbs.) —Dec.-Jan.—London 39 9 "
Do. Club No. 2...Dec.-Jan.—London 39 "
Do. Choice white Delhi Dec.-Jan.—Lon—Nomi.
Do. Tone of Market at Close... ... Steady
Do. South Australian ... ... No sellers
Do. Rosario Santa Fe 62 lbs ... ... do
Do. Red Graded American per central Dec.— ... 7 4 3-8

LONDON, Dec. 31.

SUGAR.

German Beet-root 88 per cent F. O. B. Hamburg ...Dec.—9 5 1-4 —Sellers
German Beet-root 88 per cent F. O. B. Hamburg ...Jan.—9 6 —Sellers
" Closing Tone of Market ... Quiet.
German Granulated C. and F. India. (double Bags) Dec.-Jan.—13 5 1-4—Sellers
German Granulated C. and F. India. (double Bags) Jan.-Feb.— 12 6 —Sellers
German Closing Tone Market ... ... Quiet
Austrian Crystals B. R. B. C. and F. India ...Dec.-Jan.—12 9 3-4 —Sellers
Austrian Crystals B. R. B. C. and F. India ...Jan.-Feb.—12 10 1-2 —Sellers
Do. closing Tone of Market.— ... Steady.
Mauritius Crystals...Dec— ... 12 6 —Sellers
" Closing Tone of Market ... Steady
E. A. R. and Similar Crystals C. and F. India (double Bags) Dec.-Jan.—14 —Sellers
E. A. R. and Similar Crystals C. and F. India (double Bags Jan.-Feb —14 1 1-2 Sellers
Do. Closing Tone of Market ... Steady

LONDON, Dec. 31.

JAVA SUGAR.

Java Sugar 16-18 (Average 17) C. I. F. Calcutta ... Dec.—12 Value
Java Sugar 16-18 (Average 17) C. I. F. Calcutta ... June-Dec.—10 9
Java Sugar 16-18 (Average 17) Bombay or Karachi ... Dec.—12 1 1-2
Java Sugar 16-18 (Average 17) Bombay or Karachi ... June-Dec.—10 10 1-2
Java Sugar 26 T. M. O. (or Similar) Calcutta ... Dec.—13 5 1-2
Java Sugar 26 T. M. O. (or Similar) Calcutta 1913 ... June-Dec.—12
Java Sugar 26 T. M. O. (or Similar Bom. or Karachi ... Dec.—13 7
Java Sugar 26 T. M. O. (or Similar Bom. or Karachi ... June-Dec.—12 11-2
Closing Tone of Market ... Quiet
Special Feature ... ... Unchanged

LONDON, Dec. 31.

METALS.

	£	s.	d.
Copper, Standard G M B ...	76	12	6
" Best English Selected ...	81	15	0
" Braziers... ...	88	0	0
" Tone of Market ...	Firm		
Hard Spelter	23	0	0
Tin Block F O B Liverpool ...	231	0	0
Yellow Metal	7	3-8	
Galvd. Corrugated Sheets, 24 G. G. O. B 1, p.c. F O B L'pool ...	12	10	0
Belgium Iron Bar No. 2 " ...	6	1	0
Pig Iron, No. 3 Cleveland... ...	2	6	9
" " No. 3 Clarence F O B Middlesboro ...	3	9	0
" " Gartsherrie	4	3	0
Lead Pig English... ...	18	12	6
Tone of Steel Market— ...	steady.		
Silver, Spot	29 3-16		
" 2 months hence ...	29		
" Tone of Market— ...	China buying,		

LONDON, Dec. 31.

FINANCIAL.

Silver Spot 29
Silver 2 months 29 3-16
" Closing Tone of Market— Steady. China buying
" Tendency, etc. of the Market— .....
Rentes 3 per cent ... ...£ 89 1-4
Consols 2 1-2 per cent ...£ 75 1-2
Indian Stock 3 1-2 per cent ...£ 91 3-8
Sterling loan ... ...£ 91 3-8
Govt Securities, 3 per cent ...£ 78 1-4

Rupee Paper 3 1-2 per cent ...£ 63 5-8
Bar Gold per oz 77-9
Opening Tone of Finance Market— .....
Closing " " .....
Bank of England Rate of Discount is 5 per cent since 17th Oct. 1912.
Exchange on India 30 Days Sight. 1 3 15-16
London at Paris Fcs ... ... 25·18
Berlin cheques on London Mks — 20·44 1-2
New York (Demand Bills) dols ... 4 85 1-8
Interest day to day loans ... 4 3-4
" 7 days Market loans ... 5
Discount Bank Bills 3 months sight. 4 12-16
" " " 6 " ... 4 3-8
Fine Trade Bills 3 months ... 5 3-8
" " " 6 " ... 5 3-8

LONDON, Dec. 31.

WOOLLEN GOODS.

General Tone of Market—
Quiet for fine qualities, medium qualities steady.
Mornings—Strong and prices ruling very firm.
Afternoons—Strong with 1-4 to 1-2 higher.

RUBBER.

Fine Hard Para Rubber—Dec.-Jan.— 4 7 —Sellers
General Tone of Market ... ... Steady

HOME REMITTANCES.

The Treasury, Calcutta, Dec. 30.

The Weekly Memorandum of Remittances to the Home Treasury:—

Amount Estimated in the financial Statement to be remitted during 1912-13	£15,500,000
Remitted from 1st April, 1912 to 28th Dec. 1912, by Council Bills a ...	£17,511,917
Excess over budget estimate ...	£ 2,011,917

A Of this sum £6,06 280 has been taken to the account of the Currency Reserve.

BOMBAY BANK AND STOCK LIST.

BANKS

NAMES.	Amount.	Paid-up.	Last half-yearly Dividend.	Cash Bids.
INDIAN BANKS.				
Alliance Bank of Simla ...	100	100	18 p.c.	351
Alliance Bank of Simla Ltd. ...	100	100	14 p.c.	...
Bank of Bombay	500	500	13 p.c.	283
Bank of India	500	500	6 "	1240
Bank of Bengal	500	500	14 "	84
Bank of Madras	100	100	12 "	1250
Bank of Rangoon	100	100	7 "	1480
Bank of Baroda	500	500	12 "	100
Credit Bank of India Ld. ...	50	10	7 "	20
National Bank of India ...	25	12½	12 p.c.	12½
Punjab National Bank ...	100	100	9	576
People's Bank of India ...	100	50	7	27½
Specie Bank	...	...	...	71
The Bombay Mercantile Bank Ltd.	100	10	6½	13
Central Bank of India ...	50	25	...	32
EXCHANGE BANK.				
Chartered Bank	£20	£20	15 p.c.	£59
Eastern Bank	£ 10	£ 4	4 "	96
Mercantile Bank	£25	£12½	7 "	£19
Do.	25	12½	7 "	18-10
Hongkong & Shanghai Banking Corporation Ld	$ 125	$ 125	£2	...

Interest at 4 per cent payable while line under construction. Interest has been paid upto 30th June 1911.

SPINNING & WEAVING COMPANIES.

Ahmedabad Advanced ...	500	500	yr. 10	750
Alliance	1000	1000	...	90
Barat Mfg	300	200	...	126
Bombay Cotton Mfg	500	500	46	310
Bombay Dyeing and Mfg Co. ...	250	250	15	727½
Bombay United	250	250	Nil	512
Century	100	100	3	287 1-2
General India	500	500	70	2162½
Guzerat Spg. and Wvg. Co. ...	1000	1000	...	160
Ginning Mills	500	500	20	440½
Colaba Land and Mill ...	700	700	30	1425
Coronation Mills	500	500	...	450
Connaught	300	300	...	200
Coorla	1000	1000	yr. 20	750
Crescent	100	100	4	112½
Currimbhoy	1000	1000	...	1077½
Crown	500	500	30	900
David	250	250	10	478 3-4
Emperor Edward	500	500	10	530
Empress	500	500	...	225
Edward Sassoon Mill ...	200	200	nil	207 1-2
Fazulbhoy	250	250	...	481 1-2
Framji Petit	1000	1000	25	1695
Finlay Mills	250	250	10	376 1-2
Gold Mohur	500	500	yr. 20	495
Hindustan	1000	1000	25	690
Howard and Bullough ...	500	500	15	490
Hyderabad	1000	1000	40	1200
Imperial Cotton	500	500	...	100
Indian Mfg.	1000	1000	...	550
Indo-China Mfg.	1000	1000	nil	850
James Greaves	500	500	...	220
Jamshed Mfg.	250	250	5	187 1-2
Jivanji Baloo	1000	1000	...	520
Jubilee Mills	1000	1000	...	575
Khandesh	1000	1000	25	880
Lakha Maharaj	1000	1000	45	1340
Kohinoor	500	500	15	773½
Leopold	100	100	...	39
Lakshmi Cotton	1000	1000	yr. 100	1425
Madras United	1000	1000	50	2375
Madhavji Dharamsey ...	500	500	65	1575
Manekji Petit	1000	1000	30	3057½
Morarji Goculdas	1000	1000	60	3300
Mysore Spinning	250	250	...	50
Mysore Spinning	30	30	...	...
Moon	1000	1000	...	100
New Great Eastern	200	200	6	257 1-2
New City of Bombay ...	500	500	20	1025
Phoenix	100	100	6	142 1-2
Presidency	1000	1000	...	500
Ripon	1000	1000	...	40
Sassoon Cotton	1000	1000	50	855
Sassoon Silk	500	500	yr. 35	422½
Shoiapur	1000	1000	125	5100
S. Mahatma	250	250	15	107
Standard Mills	1000	500	25	1575
Sun	250	250	nil	125 1-2
Swan	250	250	10	267½
Swadesh	500	500	25	2715
Textile	500	500	20	1515
Vishnu Cotton ... O.	500	500	nil	440
Do. ... F.	500	500	nil	690
Western India	1000	1000	25	610

MISCELLANEOUS COMPANIES.

Al'ck Ashdown & Co. ...	100	100	6 p.c.	200
all India Ut. Co. Ld. ...	100	20	5 "	13
Samanka	10	10	...	6
Back Bay Bath	50	50	6 p.c.	28
Bidham Fite	20	20	7 p.c.	95
Baroda Fram. Co	100	100	4 p.c.	53
Bombay Burmah T. Corpn	125	125	15 p.c.	565
Bombay Electric S. and T. Co. Ld. ... ... O.	£10	£10	Nil.	175
do do P.	£10	£10	6 p.c.	181
Bombay Ice Mfg.	100	100	2 p.c.	20
Bombay Flour Mill	500	500	20	975
Bombay Land and Building	500	500	5 p.c.	...
Bombay S. N. Co. ... O	250	250	7-8	267½
do. do. P.	250	250	6	272½
Central I. M. Co., Ld. ...	10	10	3½	3½
Dawn Flour	200	200	10	130
Empire of F. L. A. ...	500	50	30 p.c.	200
John Roberts and Co. ...	100	100	5 p.c.	205
Josts Fans Supply Co. ...	100	50	7 yr.	50
Kemp and Co.	200	175	12½ "	175
Karachi Landing	200	75	12	115
Marcks and Co	100	100	8	102
Marsland Price and Co O.	100	100	4 p.c.	...
Do do P.	100	100	7 p.c.	75
Napier Hotel Co.	100	100	...	...
Oriental Govt. L. A. Co.	200	50	20 p.c.	311
Oriental Mining	...	...	...	£0
Phillips and Co.	40	40	10 p.c.	34½
Port Canning Co.	1000	1000	yr. 42	805
Shivrajpore Syn. etc. ...	10	10	...	21
Sirdar Carbonic Gas Co.	100	100	5	90
Soundy and Co. ... ... O.	100	100	...	20
	75	35	...	91 3-4
Tata Iron Steel Co. D.	30	30	...	187
Ld. P.	150	130	...	174½
Thacker and Co.	50	50	30 p.c.	210
Telephone Co.	25	25	yr. 1½	61
Treacher and Co.	500	500	yr. 30	490

It is decided to form a section of the Institution of Electrical Engineers in Calcutta.

DOMESTIC OCCURRENCES.

THE charges for Announcement of BIRTHS, MARRIAGES DEATHS and MEMORIAM NOTICES, which must be authenticated by the name and address of the sender are Rs. 2 for six lines or less, and 8 as. for every additional line. CASH strictly in ADVANCE.

OTHER PRESIDENCIES.

DEATH.

WINSLOE—December 18, at Bareilly, as the result of a carriage accident, Keith Stoate, widow of Baron Winsloe.

BOMBAY.

TO-DAY.

Maidania, 5-30 p.m. to 11-30 p.m.
Willison's Tented shows at "Maidania," 9 p.m.
America-India Cinematograph, three shows nightly
Excelsior Cinematograph, Novelty Theatre, 6-30 to 8; 8-30 to 9-30; 10 to 12 p.m.

MAXIM:—FOR GIRLS ONLY—"Josh Billings" gives the following:—"Gertruds—You tell me that you have been two years at a boarding school, and have just finished your education, and want to know what you shall do next. Listen, my gushing Gertrude, and I will tell you. Get up in the morning in good season, go down into the kitchen, seize a potato by the throat with one hand and, knife with the other, skin the potato and a dozen more just like it, stir up the buckwheat batter, look in the oven and see how the biscuits are doing, bustle around generally, step on the cat's tail, and help your good old mother get breakfast. After breakfast put up the young children's luncheon for school, help wash up the dishes sweep some, put things in order, sometime during the day knit at least two inches and a half of some one of your brothers' little blue woollen stockings for next winter. In other words, go to work and make yourself useful now that you have become ornamental, and if you have any time left after the beds are all made up, and the ducks have been fed, pitch into the piano, and make the old rattle-box scream with music. Do this for one year, and some likely young fellow in the neighbourhood will hear of it, and will begin to hang around you, and say sweeter things than you ever heard before, and finally will give you a chance to keep house on your own hook. You follow my advice, Gerty, and see if he don't."

THE ENGLISH MAIL.

ARRIVAL.

The P. and O. Company's s. s. "Salsette," with the outward mails of the 20th ultimo, left Aden at 5 a.m. on Monday, and is expected to arrive in Bombay at 8 a.m. on Friday next. The mails were late in leaving Brindisi.

DEPARTURE.

The P. and O. Company's mail steamer "Salsette" will leave Bombay harbour at 2-39 p.m. on Saturday.

RAILWAY TIME TABLE.

The following are the hours of arrival and departure of the principal Mail trains and Express trains as and from Victoria Terminus and Colaba daily. Standard Time is given in all cases:—

G. I. P. RAILWAY.

	Arr.	Dep.
Punjab Mail	12-35	19-15
Calcutta Mail (via Jubbulpur)	13-20	21-15
Calcutta Mail (via Nagpur)	8-30	14-0
Madras Mail	6-0	22-0
Poona Mail	11-10	16-50
Delhi Express (2nd and Inter. class)	6-50	7-30
Poona Express	19-35	8-0
Manmad Express	12-20	14-25
Mail Express for Punjab	...	*
do do for Calcutta	...	*
do do for Madras	...	*

* Four hours after mail steamer is signalled on Fridays only.

B. B. & C. I. RAILWAY.

	Arr.	Dep.
Northern Express	7-30	21-0
Guzerat Mail	8-35	21-50
Third Class Express	6-45	17-0
Weekly Boat Express every Friday (from 18th October to 27th December 1912)	.....	12-0

MUSIC AT "MAIDANIA."—By kind permission of Lieut.-Colonel Downing and Officers, the Band of the Royal Dublin Fusiliers will play the following programmes of music at "Maidania" this evening, under the direction of Mr. C. E. Caulfield, Bandmaster:—

First Programme.

March ...	Florentiner ... Fucik
Overture ...	Peter Schmoll ... Weber
Indian Love Song ...	Cochoco ... Reeves
Incidental Music ...	Monsieur Pesanche ... Bucalossi
Waltz ...	Druids Prayer ... Joyce
Intermezzo ...	Clorinde ... Ring
Selection ...	The Earl and the Girl ... .

Second Programme.

March ...	7th, Regiment ... Dunn
Overture ...	Poet and Peasant ... Soppa
Serenade ...	La Paloma (by request) Yradier
Selection ...	The Bohemian Girl ... Balfe
Song ...	The Rosary ... Nerin
...	...(by request) ... ...
Moresan ...	Salut d' Amour ... Elgar
Selection ...	San Toy ... Jones
Waltz ...	Amrrelles Tause ... Eung'l

MUSIC AT "MAIDANIA."—By kind permission of Lieut. Col. F. A. Smith and other Officers, the Band of the 2nd (Q. V. O.) R. L. I. will play the following programme of music at "Maidania" this evening, under the direction of Mr. F. Lemcas, Bandmaster:—

First Programme.

March ...	Florentiner ... Fucik
Valse ...	Ciribiribin ... Squire
Selection ...	The Arcadians ... Talbot
Valse ...	Ravissante ... Godin
Two-Step ...	The Cockney Band ... Thurban
...	...Hamreske ... Dvorak
Retreat ...	The Canadian Retreat ... Bilton

Second Programme.

March ...	The Jefferson Guards ... Blaert
Overture ...	Zampa ... Herold
Valse ...	Santiago ... Corbin
Romance ...	Simple Aveu ... Thome
Selection ...	The Quaker Girl ... Monckton
Valse ...	Dreaming ... Joyce
Two-Step ...	The Blarney Stone ... Engleman

MUSIC AT THE PRINCESS GYMKHANA.—By kind permission of Lieut.-Col. T. W. Bonner, V.D., and Officers, the Band of the 1st Battalion, G. I. P. Ry. Volunteers, will play the following programme of music, under the direction of Mr. A. Mallandaine, Bandmaster, commencing at 6 p.m. to-day:—

March ...	With Banner's Waving ... Franke
Overture ...	Masaniello ... Amber
a Spanish Serenade ...	La Paloma ... Zeadier
b Two Step ...	Ma' Dusky Maid ... Smith
Selection ...	The Gondoliers ... Sullivan
Valse ...	Malmaison ... Zulueta
Selection ...	Gipsy Love ... Lehar
Two Step ...	Ghosts ... Daukels

POSTAL NOTICE.—From to-day a Booking Office for the reception of telegrams will be opened in the General Post Office. The Booking Office will be located in the Central Hall under the dome. Telegrams will be accepted on week days from 10-30 a.m. to 6-30 p.m. The Booking Office will not be open on Sundays and Post Office Holidays.

APPOINTMENT.—Mr. Sorabji Framji Banker, Head Shroff Bank of Bombay, who had served in the Bank, for about fifty years, first in the Branch Department, and as Head Shroff for the last thirteen years, has retired on pension from January 1913. An appointment of Mr. Nagindas Bhaktidas Sedai, who was working as Deputy Head Shroff for the last fifteen years, has been made as Head Shroff.

IF YOUR FRIENDS TOLD YOU

The ALBION MILK and SULPHUR SOAP is "pleasant to use and whitens and softens the skin," and "I prefer it to any other," would you miss trying a tablet? These testimonials from ladies of title (with names) are on the wrapper, and thousands (home and abroad) buy the soap. If it suits so many, may it not be worth your attention? It is a Toilet Luxury, delightful in use, delicately perfumed, refreshing and beneficial. British manufacture. Sold by Chemists, Stores, Grocers, etc., and at 76, New Oxford-street, London. Established over 25 years.

AMUSEMENTS.

MISS MARIE HALL TO GIVE AN ORCHESTRAL CONCERT.

For some time it has been evident that the demand for seats would cause many to be disappointed on the evening of Miss Hall's recitals at the Town Hall on Friday and Saturday, and it has now been arranged to give an extra recital on Monday next, January 6th, at which, by kind permission of his Excellency Lord Clarke, the Government House Orchestra, under the conductorship of Mr. Edward Behr, will take part, and will also accompany Miss Hall in her concerts. As this will undoubtedly prove the greatest of the musical treats to be given by Miss Hall, early application for seats should be made to avoid disappointment. Messrs Rose and Co. will open the plan for this farewell concert this morning at 9-30 a.m., when seats for all the recitals will be on sale.

The great violinist will make her debut on Friday at the Town Hall, in the presence of their Excellencies, and will give a second recital on Saturday. The Orchestral Concert on Monday will positively be Miss Hall's final appearance in Bombay. Miss Marguerite Tilleard, solo pianist, and Mr. Hubert Bromilow, baritone, will assist at each recital. The concerts will commence at 9-30 p.m. sharp each evening, and and audiences are requested to be seated by that time, as none will be admitted whilst a number is being played.

MISS FRAMPTON AND MR. McGRATH.

Miss Violet Frampton and Mr. James McGrath continue to hold the audiences at the Novelty Theatre, and their entertaining turns are responsible in great measure for the unusually crowded houses even for that perennial draw, the Excelsior Cinematograph show. The change of programme promised for next Saturday will include a stirring military song, "Sergeant of the Line," by Mr. McGrath. There will also be a laughable sketch by both, entitled "Lunatics." The scene is laid in an asylum for the insane, where two persons are invited to an entertainment, and, meeting in the hall, mistake each other for inmates, or rather patients, of the institution. The idea, as can be imagined, lends itself to some of the delightfully humourous dialogue in which these artists excel. Miss Frampton will dance a capital cake-walk known as the "Alexandra Rag-Time Band."

ARRIVALS.

Per s. s. "Sasette" Jan. 3.

The P. and O. Co.'s mail steamer "Salsette" with the English mails of the 20th inst. is expected to arrive in Bombay harbour at 8 a.m. on Friday, brings the following passengers:—

LONDON TO BOMBAY.

Belts, Mrs C C
Budd, Mr J E
Cameron, Miss N M
Garrett, Mr H L O
Ghafur, Mr S M A
Haig, Miss
Inglis, Mr J
Keelan, Maj H P and Mrs
Mellowdew, Mr H
Quarne, Mr
Robertson, Mr A M
Schuste, Mr W M
Shorrock, Mr F
Topping, Mrs and Miss
Thackery, Miss

MARSEILLES TO BOMBAY.

Baumgartner, Mr B W V
Baron, M de Rothschild and Baroness
Browne, Miss F
Barnwell, Mrs
Collinson, Mr G H
(O Doigt) Valet
Calvocoressi, Mr M J
De Brook, Mr S
Egan, Mr. V H
Galimidi, Mr
Hammond, Mr W H
Husain, Dr S M
Hefti, Mr
Kunhardt, Capt. F G
Lee, Mr E
(M Roose) Maid
Needham, Mr J E and Mrs
Ogilvy, Mr W
Pilcher, Mr H R
Rice, Mr E M
Raj Kumar of Lambdi
Rutter, Mr R and Miss
Richardson, Mr C T, Mrs and Miss
Raquette, Mr
Swartling, Mr
Talvalkr, Mr N R
Van Valzel, Dr W W
Vinning, Rev H S
Wakefield, Miss
Wallis, Mr W S

BRINDISI TO BOMBAY.

Mynn, Mr A L
Squire, Mr G

PORT SAID TO BOMBAY.

Clifford-Towers, Mrs A
Grevle, Miss M G
Walmsley Miss F H

MARSEILLES TO KARACHI.

Farrell, Mr H P and Mrs
Jeffery, Mr S

ARRIVALS.

Per s. s. "City of Paris," Jan 23

The Ellerman Line s.s. "City of Paris," Commander John Campbell, which left Liverpool on the 11th December with the following passengers, is due to arrive in Bombay early to-morrow morning and her passengers will be landed at No. 15 Victoria Docks.

LIVERPOOL TO PORT SAID.

Aly, Mrs. M.
Douglas, Mrs. H.
Douglas, Miss.
Douglas, Miss M.
Fletcher Harris, Mrs.
Fletcher, Miss.
Goodwyn. Capt. W. M.
Jennings, Miss K. M.
Palling, Miss C. A.
Pryke, Mrs. N. and child.
Reid, Mrs.
Reid, Miss.
Symons, Mr. J.

LIVERPOOL TO BOMBAY.

Beaman, Mrs. C. P. R. and 2 infants.
Bower, Mr. Jas. A.
Biswas, Mr. J. M.
Boucher, Capt.
Boucher, Mrs.
Boucher, Miss.
Boucher, Miss.
Boucher, Mr. A. S. H.
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The Austrian Lloyd S. N. Companys steamer Bregenz 2386 tons Captain A. de Pelris arrived in harbour on New year's day from Trieste 16th December with a general Cargo and passengers.

The Clan Line steamer Clan Macnab 2952 tons Captain J. Green arrived in harbour on Tuesday evening from Glasgow 27 November with a general cargo.

The Hansa Line steamer Lichtinfels 3528 tons Captain H. Walldarf arrived in Bombay on New year's day from Hamburg 26th November, with a general cargo and explosives.

The Asiatic S. N. Company's steamer Subadar, 3087 tons, Captain H. Pribben arrived in harbour on New year's day from Calcutta via Coast ports with a general cargo and 4 deck passengers.

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Macedonia.....5245 Bennett .....P & O Co
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Pundua .....3725 Rose ....M M & Co
Sultan Van Ketis...1113 Liborg .....W & A G & Co
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M Gloucester.....	3018	Graham...Kobe &c...		5-1-13...	T M & Co
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6 Faragarth	2 99	omich.....	Garston ...	2 1 13	S Smidt & Co
7 Marq Sacquisam	2752	Franovich.....	Trieste...	7-1-13...	A L S N Co
8 Habsburg.....	2395	Selenich...	Trieste...	1-1-13...	A L S N Co
12&13 Macedonia...	5245	Bennett ...	London...	11-1-13	P & O Co
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31	Clan Macnab	Green	Glasgow, Nov 27
Jan. 1	Lichtenfels	Walldorf	Hamburg, Nov 26
	Linga	Manley	Karachi, Dec 30
	Srazenz	Petris	Trieste, Dec 16
	Plassy (H T)	Andrews	S'mpton, Dec 11
	Subadar	Pribbern	Calcutta, Dec 4

DEPARTURES.

Jan.	Vessels.	Commanders.	Destination.
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THE MERCANTILE MARINE AND WAR.

The recent gifts by British Colonies of Dreadnoughts and cruisers to the Imperial Navy, have brought home to the world, the keen interest which is being manifested in all the British dependencies in the importance of the Navy to the welfare of the Empire. History has seldom witnessed so striking a picture as that presented by the unanimity of the various parts of the Empire, separated as they are by thousands of miles, and in most cases enjoying a practically independent existence. The changed conditions of the European situation has impressed all with the need there is for increased attention to the Navy. The construction of Dreadnoughts proceeds apace, and there appears little doubt, but that the British Empire will, especially with this extra aid, easily hold its own. But there is another problem to which sufficient attention does not appear to have been paid, the subject of how these vessels are to be manned when they are constructed. The article, by Mr. Joseph, in the recent issue of the "Nineteenth Century", dealing with the "Manning of our Mercantile Marine," is, therefore, especially timely, and, if it serves to awaken interest in this aspect of Imperial defence, its object will have been attained. It has always been recognised in theory, but not always sufficiently noted in practice, that "the prosperity, strength, and safety of the United Kingdom and His Majesty's dominions do greatly depend on a large, constant, and ready supply of seamen." At the time these words were penned, the majority of seamen sailing in British vessels were British, and in time of war, they could be relied on to support their King. But the personnel of our ships has greatly changed, and it is regrettable that the number of foreigners now employed is so great. True, of recent years, the proportion has slightly decreased, but the number is still too great not to cause anxiety to those who look to the men now in mercantile service for help in time of war when the regular naval ranks are depleted.

There is one class, the numbers of which have gradually increased in recent years, who can scarcely be considered aliens. We refer to the Lascars. Ever since the Suez Canal was opened, these men have been employed in large numbers, until at the present there are nearly 44,000 engaged in British ships trading between England and the East. We are aware that occasional charges have been brought against this class, but whose who have had the greatest experience of them, recognise their value for the particular kind of work in which they are engaged. "They have been found so suitable to these trades, both from their capacity to stand the great heat of the Red Sea and the Indian Ocean, as well as from their efficiency, sobriety, exemplary conduct, and amenability to discipline, that they must now be recognised as a permanent factor in the trade, and no thought of their displacement can enter into any plans that may be entertained for increasing the present numbers of British seamen." In their own spheres they have shown they can be brave, for they show no fear in the presence of the dangers of cyclones and typhoons, but they have not yet had to submit to the dangers which accompany wars on the high seas. Yet it is on the mercantile fleet that the Empire will be dependent for its food supplies and its very existence should war break out. It is not unlikely but that the Lascars will, as a whole, be valuable in such times, for they will come to realise how closely the fortunes of their own countries are involved in the supremacy of the British. But it is difficult to believe that the alien crews which now man our vessels will prove staunch when called upon to engage in the more hazardous life. The number of British seamen has continued to increase in recent years, and there has been a steady decrease in the number of aliens. This is a step in the right direction, but there is still a long way to go, if the country is to feel it can rely on the men now engaged in sea life to come to the aid of the nation when required. It is estimated that there are still 13,000 aliens employed as petty officers or sailors, whose places ought to be filled by Britishers. It is the task of the country gradually to reduce this number, and replace to them by men who can be relied on from patriotic motives to support the Navy.

The task is a great one, and will necessitate considerable expenditure. But the country and Empire have shown themselves ready to make sacrifices for the Navy, and when once this aspect appeals to them with the force it ought to do, there can be little doubt money will be forthcoming. The Government has shown some appreciation of the need by its efforts to provide British sailors, but it cannot be said that their measures have been particularly successful. During the Boer War the foreign element in the vessels which conveyed our soldiers to Africa, predominated to such an extent, that the Board of Trade Committee was appointed to investigate the whole question. The findings of the Committee were published in a huge volume, and recommendations relating to the food and living quarters of the men were made with the object of making the service more attractive to Britishers. It was also demanded that no one should be engaged, unless he possessed a knowledge of the English language sufficient to enable him to understand the orders of the officers. Every encouragement was also to be given to the training ships and the training of boys in merchant vessels. The latter recommendations have been a dead letter, and the recent "Titanic" disaster, which revealed the unpreparedness of many of the hands to do even the elementary duties in connection with life saving, has roused the national conscience to some extent. The Naval Reserve is divided into three classes, the Royal Fleet Reserve, composed of time-expired men, the Royal Naval Reserve, consisting of men who use yachts, coasting vessels, etc., and the Royal Naval Volunteers, a very limited number. These may be sufficient to fill the ordinary posts in the Navy, but if the merchant ships are to be available for cruising purposes in time of war, as suggested by Lord Beresford, it seems necessary that some kind of training should be given them in order that they may have some acquaintance with war duties. Technical sea training is needed, and the Imperial Government and Councils are invited to take a share in the scheme. The London County Council, two months ago, gave its blessing to the scheme, and sanctioned a capitation allowance of twenty pounds per head to recognised training ships and institutions for training sailors. Mr. Longford says that the number of boys annually required to satisfy the normal requirements of the Mercantile Marine is 5,000, and the expenditure, about £100,000. There are many problems in connection with the way in which these boys may be best trained, but we cannot but welcome any serious attempt which has for its object the manning of British ships by Britishers who may be depended on in the time, when the nation mostly need their services. Opportunities must be presented to the British boy, and the Mercantile Marine will not lack the numbers it requires. "The sailor's career still presents attractions to adventurous and high-spirited lads; it affords a means of livelihood which, notwithstanding all its handicaps and hardships, still compares in some of its aspects not unfavourably with that provided by many shore occupations, and all authorities agree that there is still available an ample supply of boys, not the effete wastrels of the streets but of a respectable class, and good intelligence and physique, who, with the full consent of their parents, are both willing and anxious to try a sea life, but are prevented adopting it by lack of opportunity." It has been previously pointed out that the Navy affords a good opening for Anglo-Indian boys, and if India can do her share in sending some of these to man our ships, its contribution, though small, will be valuable.

SANITARY METHODS FOR PILGRIMS.

The United Provinces Government has set a useful example to other provincial governments by the appointment of a committee to inquire into sanitary conditions at the centres of Hindu and Mahomedan pilgrimages. The scope of the inquiry, it is announced, will be as wide as possible, covering everything that bears upon sanitation, prevention of epidemics, lodging house and railway accommodation. The inquiry, if it leads to practical results, will, of course, benefit Bombay indirectly, as a large number of Mahomedan pilgrims come to this city annually for the Hedjaz. We think, however, that a similar inquiry might very well be held in this Presidency, for it is a curious fact that, while in this province much has been done to improve the sanitary circumstances of Mahomedan pilgrims, little has been done for the Hindus. The reason is easy to find, for, while the Hindu pilgrimages occur at places, some of them remote, in the mofussil, the great Mahomedan pilgrimage, sending, as it does, a large stream of pilgrims through the port of Bombay, affects very closely the health of the Presidency capital. Therefore, mainly on the initiative of the Commissioner of Police, Bombay City, much has been done to remedy the insanitary conditions under which the Hajis used to live during their stay here. Whereas formerly they lived and slept on the footpaths of the most filthy localities in Bombay, they are now provided with muzafferkhanas, in which they are housed under sanitary conditions, and it has even been found possible to induce them to submit to vaccination for their own benefit, and for the protection of permanent residents. In the mofussil similar measures have not been taken. When epidemics have occurred in the neighbourhood of places of pilgrimage, Government has prohibited the holding of fairs. That at Pandharpur was prohibited this year on account of cholera. Nasik is the other great centre of Hindu pilgrimage in this Presidency, and there it is the common experience that a large number of pilgrims are suffering from some kind of epidemic disease. Thus, if the United Provinces feels able to devise means for the lessening of sickness at the more celebrated gathering-places, which exist in its territory, we hope something of the same kind can be done in Bombay.

THE OPIUM SITUATION.

THE news, as cabled by Reuter, that leading banks are not calling on merchants for a further margin to cover the heavy depreciation of hypothecated opium, is received in Bombay with some reserve. Within the last few weeks, the banks in Bombay, we are informed, have asked for, and have received, heavy payments on this account. Should the statement be well-founded, this attitude on the part of the banks will bring relief for only a short time. It cannot for long postpone that day of reckoning, which is inevitable, unless the root of the trouble be removed. Not even to restore normal trade conditions, but merely to allow a little justice to the opium merchants, something more effective must be done than the cancellation of the Agreement, which is reported to be contemplated. That would only make matters worse than they are. It would then cause the Chefoo Agreement to become the basis of relations. This is a very explicit but much broader document than the present Agreement, and whereas the Chinese Government finds it possible now to impose such harshly repressive measures in face of the very well-defined rights, which it has promised to respect, what guarantee is there that, under more widely constructed terms, it would not find it still easier to evade its obligations? The actions of China leave no room for doubt that its Government desires to end the opium trade at a much earlier date than it contemplated, when it entered into the Agreement. Only it is ashamed to say so plainly. Thus, it harasses the opium traders in the hope that the British Government will be weak enough to ask on what terms the present position may be ended. We look to the Home Government to keep carefully away from this rather obvious trap. Surely she can find means, without great difficulty, of teaching China that treaty obligations with Great Britain must be observed. Should she allow her rights to lapse, effective complaint is impossible when the United States or any other Power appears inclined to treat treaties in the same easy fashion. The Government sends troops to Tibet to keep open the routes for a trade, which is much smaller in value than that of opium to China. But, of course, we shall be told that the goods, which are sold to Tibet, do not poison the natives. However, on the terms of the Opium Agreement, we think sufficient regard has been had to the morals and the welfare of the ordinary Chinaman. The morals of his Government stand just as much in need of repair, and we respectfully suggest that the British Government should undertake the operation.

THE HONOURS LIST.

THE New Year's Honours List interests Bombay in that it makes good one or two omissions of a year ago. We refer to the peerage conferred upon Sir George Clarke, and the Knighthood on Mr. C. H. Armstrong. His Excellency has deserved the highest honours the throne could confer upon him, and it cannot be said that Sir Charles Armstrong's Knighthood has not been merited by his long and strenuous services to the public weal. We are glad that Mr. G. W. Forrest has, at last, received some acknowledgment of his labours, Mr. Dunlop and Major Glen Liston have earned the distinction conferred upon them, the former by his interest in volunteering, and the latter by his contributions to medical knowledge. We doubt if Dr. Turner will feel overjoyed at receiving a Kaiser-i-Hind medal, but of the police officers who have been decorated, we cannot but say they have richly deserved it. We may intimate that the Governor will hereafter be known as Lord Sydenham.

THE MALAY DREADNOUGHT.

IT must not be concluded that although the magnificent Dreadnought gifts from Canada and the Malay States are to be additions to the strength of the navy that they are to be built straight off the reel. Just at present this is not absolutely necessary. At least three of these ships can be left over till next year's programme and included in it. One additional Dreadnought will keep the margin this year, but the remainder will be required to meet the crisis which Germany's aggression will create in 1918. The first Lord's statement shows that five large armoured ships are to be laid down in the coming financial year, and probably one of the Canadian gift ships will be added to those. To build them all at once—in view of the day by day improvements which are being effected—would be a mistake it is believed.

ALL the Government as well as the merchants' vessels, now lying in port, were decorated with flags and bunting from stem to stern.

During the Ceylon Cricketers' visit to Rangoon, they were kept busy with numerous social engagements. On the 23rd December, before the State Ball at Government House, a farewell dinner was given by the Upper and Lower Burma players. The toast of the visitors was drunk with musical honours, and the captain of the Ceylon team, in reply, cordially invited the Burma Cricketers to Ceylon

GERMAN POINT OF VIEW

The German People and Germany's Foreign Policy.

BERLIN, DEC. 13.

Since the last Reichstag elections, which resulted in an increased majority on the Liberal side, a divergency of opinion has frequently existed in matters of home policy between the Government and the majority. But this year's Debate on the Budget shows the German Liberal sections all support the Government in questions of foreign policy. The Imperial Chancellor opened the debate with a short and effective speech, in which he spoke of Germany's desire to maintain the peace, but, at the same time, laid emphatic stress on the fact that Germany could be relied on to support her allies and, if necessary, to fight for them should they be attacked.

This particular passage in the Chancellor's speech has met with full approval on all sides. Even the Progressive Democratic Party, which his frequently inclined to make common cause with the Socialists, on this occasion ostentively held aloof from its quondam allies. The leader of the Progressive Democratic Party, Herr von Payer, who at the same time is President of the Lower Chamber in Wurttemberg, declared formally, in the name of his party, that they would support the Chancellor's policy, which was directed to the maintenance of peace and to the upholding of Germany's prestige. He did not hesitate to tell the Socialists the bitter truth; he expressed the opinion that their countless meetings to discuss the Balkan Question, and that the recently held International Socialist Congress in Bale, were not really actuated, as stated, by a desire to maintain peace, but merely with a hope of creating unrest and dissatisfaction. These remarks are the more striking when we consider that the Democratic Party in Wurttemberg, whose leader is Herr von Payer, voted with the Socialists on the occasion of the election in Wurttemberg, thus showing that they are in no way hostile to the Socialistic Party.

But not only the Left Liberal wing in the House, but also the press of this party continues to express its satisfaction with the energetic manner in which the Chancellor dwelt on Germany's loyalty to her allies. The "Ostsee-Zeitung", a paper published in Stettin, dubs the Chancellor's speech "The right word at the right moment", and speaking of the part in which he alluded to Germany's loyalty to her allies, this paper says: "this was the passage which was received with the greatest and most general enthusiasm by all factions of the Liberal party." And the German people too we will reiterate this approval.

Although the German Chancellor spoke with the approval of the whole nation when he stated that Germany did not fear war, he, on the other hand, had a united people behind him when he said that Germany's greatest wish was to preserve the peace. When the Secretary of State, Herr von Kiderlen, laid special emphasis on the fact that the relations between Germany and England had been specially cordial during the present Balkan crisis, his speech was received with the greatest enthusiasm by all the members of the Liberal section. In fact, on this occasion, even the Socialists joined forces with the Government, and the Socialist Deputy David declared that his party were highly pleased with the remarks made by the Secretary of State, With the exception of a few Chauvinist, the loudness of whose voices is far greater than their actual influence, there is not a single soul in Germany who thinks of, or ever has thought of Germany waging an aggressive war on England. For this reason, when the Reichstag greeted Herr von Kiderlen's friendly words concerning Germany's present friendly relations to England with enthusiasm, he spoke with the voice of the whole nation.

Neither does any sensible politician in Germany dream of a war of aggression against France. On the contrary, it caused general satisfaction when the organ of French Government the "Temps," when discussing a small objection raised by Germany with regard to some points in the Franco-Spanish Morocco Agreement, called attention to the fact that these remarks were couched in a most friendly spirit, and one entirely characteristic of the relations at present existing between the two countries. It would be an excellent thing if the "Temps would only continue to maintain this friendly attitude and were to be the supported by the entire French press, if such were the case, France would soon see that she had a friend in Germany.

Germany is—as is clearly shown by the course of the Debate on the Budget—thoroughly determined to keep faith with her allies and to uphold her own prestige, but it is none the less inclined for peace with honour. When Napoleon III was plunging his country into one warlike venture after another he was in the habit of hypocritically declaring. The Empire is peace' The German Empire can, however, make use of this expression with justice; for, since the day when the German States were consolidated into the German Empire, 42 years ago, Germany has wages no war in Europe.

IMMIGRATION INTO FRANCE.

A publication entitled Review de lemigation and dealing with emigration and immigration statistics has been appearing in Paris since last May. As his publication states itself this is a subject of supreme interest to all Frenchmen, as owing to the low birthrate France is confronted with the danger of a decline in population, and it is now hoped to make good this deficiency by means of immigration. As long ago as 1851 1 per cent, of the population of France consisted of foreigners who had taken up their permanent abode there and by 1891 this class amounted to 3 per cent of the entire population. Whereas the rate of births in France only increased during these 40 years at the rate of 45 per thousand. France owes the fact that her increased of population is still a somewhat higher one—about 66 per thousand—to the number of foreign settlers she receives. In order to encourage foreigners to become French citizens, naturalisation was greatly facilitated some years ago; the result being that nearly 1-4 of the foreigners residing in France have become naturalised French citizens.

A comparatively large proportion of these emigrants do not find their new home in France itself, but in her Colonies, especially in Algeria and Tunis. It is, for this reason, especially important to know from what country these people come. In 1891 the large majority of these settlers came from Belgium and Luxemburg (466 000), then followed the Italians with 286 000. In the year 1906 we find that Italy leads the way with 377 638 settlers, whereas Belgium and Luxemburg take only a second place with 310 433. As the Italians specially favour the French Colonies on the coast of N. Africa, there is the danger of Tunis and Algeria gradually becoming Italianised. Germany takes the third place with 87 836 settlers. Then comes Spain with 80 914. Switzerland with 68 892. England with 35 990 and Russia with 25 605. The statistics for 1906 show that there were 1 046 905 foreigners settled in France, of whom 222 162 had become naturalised French subjects. As the number of Frenchmen settling in foreign countries is a comparatively small one, the population of France and her Colonies is still increasing annually, at a moderate rate, thanks to immigration.

DR. OTTO BRAHM.

In the year 1889 a number of writers and admirers of literature in Berlin formed themselves into a Society bearing the title of "The Free Stage." It was their aim and object enable those plays which found no acceptance on the ordinary boards to the introduced to the public by means of special performances at a theatre set apart for that purpose. This was during the early years of the realistic movement in Germany. The influence of Ibsen on our younger dramatists was beginning to bear fruits and the very first performance on the boards of "The Free Stage" proved a veritable sensation. Amid scene of tumultuous applause and angry hisses, Gerhart Hauptmann's first play Before Sunrise was produced.

The leading spirit of this daring venture was Dr. Otto Brahm, a Berlin critic and writer in the prime of life.

He was at that time a man of anything but prepossessing appearance, with a thin shrill voice and something of the actor in his face. He had studied German literature, and had won his literary spurs by a work dealing with the woman in drama of the 18th Century. He had been greatly influenced by attending the lectures of the eminent Berlin professor, Wilhelm Scherer, from whose class-room an entire school of modern literary men and critics subsequently found their way into the world. Among Brahm's comrades and fellow students of those days was Paul Schlenther, who later ga became the manager of the Burg Theater after concluding his academic studies, Brahm took up work as the dramatic critic of the "Vossische Zeitung," and in this capacity he soon developed not only a clear-cut style of diction and a logical habit of thought, but, and this was still more important in those days, his work was full of originality. Here was a young man who knew what he wanted he did not regard it as the duty of the critic merely to amuse his readers, he did not content himself with displaying his own talent and knowledge. He made it his aim and object in life to devote himself to the renaissance of German literature, more especially of the drama: and the means by which he sought this end was a daring form of realism, by which he hoped to give fresh life blood to the somewhat anaemic style of dramatic literature then in vogue in Germany. Brahm was one of the first of our German critics to bring a spirit of intelligent comprehension to the some-what enigmatic peculiarities of the Ibsen drama. Although some of his later works were devoted to the older forms of literature, his chief attention was still directed to this one aim.

For instance, in his biography of Schiller a somewhat rough and unfinished work it must be admitted he endeavoured to show us the poet as has so often been done, as an idealist. He was one of the first to throw light upon that pessimistic tendency permeating the works of Heinrich v. Kleist, which brings him so near to the spirit of our days.

The calling into being of the "Free Stage" brought Brahm into touch with the actual practical work of the theatre. He became the leader in the dramatic struggle which played a dominent role in directing the tendencies of the modern German stage.

He supported the ideas of the society by publishing a newspaper also entitled "The Free Stage," in which he was the daring advocate of the new movement. In this manner he became the standard bearer of the movement which found its greatest representatives in writers like Gerhart Hauptmann, Max Halbe and Schnitzler,

In 1894 Brahm entered upon a decisive moment in his career. He succeeded Adolf l'Arronge as the manager of the "Deutsche Theatre," with the exception of the Royal Houses the first play-house in Berlin. He opened with Schiller's "Kabale und Liebe." The performance resulted in failure. Brahm had made an attempt to produce a classical drama on the lines of modern realism.

The fiery and heroic speeches of the classic drama were ladled out with all the stilted reserve of a middle-class suburban drawing-room. This fiasco clearly showed Brahm's limitation; it proved his utter inability to appreciate the requirements of the romantic drama. A little later on he met with the success that safely steered the craft of his theatrical enterprise into port. From the repertoire of the "Free Stage" he took Gerhart Hauptmann's "Weber," and produced it at his own theatre, where it was so realistically performed as to achieve a great and lasting success.

For twenty years he remained a theatrical manager, passing from the "Deutsche Theatres" to the "Lessing Theater." It must be said to his merit' that he recognised his own limitations and steadfastly kept to the kind of work for which he was most fitted. He relied mostly on Ibsen and Hauptmann, and mainly confined his energies to the production of the works of our modern realistic authors. He was the only one of our Berlin Theatre managers who had what may be called a literary programme, and his strength lay in the face that he kept strictly to this one line. In his theatre were trained a number of actors and actresses, the like of whom cannot be found on any other Berlin stage, Emanuel Reicher. Hans Marr, Oskar Sauer. Rudolf Rittner, Albert Bassermann, Else Lehmann, Irene Trisch, Rosa Bertens—to quote only a few names of artists who, neither in Berlin nor elsewhere, have their equal as delineators of modern life upon the stage. Their style of art is characterised by absolute naturalness of style, a true perception of the inner meaning of the text, and the most perfect psychology. Brahm never allowed himself to be carried away by the modern tendency to overlay the drama itself with scenic effects, as Rheinhart has done, but he insisted absolutely on dramatic art finding its true expression in the interpretation of the text alone. In the great artistic struggle between Reichart and Brahm, victory seemed often to be on the side of the former, but the really artistic minority invariably gave the palm for artistic finish to the Lorsing Theatre.

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MILITARY INTELLIGENCE.

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.)

DELHI, DEC. 31.

Approval has been given to the appointment of Lt. F. R. Brooke, Royal Garrison Artillery, as a Company Officer at the Royal Military Academy on 2nd February next.

Lt.-Col. W. A. Robinson, 1st Brigade, Royal Horse Artillery, South Africa, is transferred to the 13th Brigade, Royal Horse Artillery, at Mhow.

Major Robertson, 19th Lancers, has been selected to succeed Major Dobbs as General Staff Officer, 2nd grade, Bombay Brigade, in May next.

Capt. Shuttleworth, Supply and Transport Corps, will be appointed Deputy Assistant Quartermaster-General at the Staff College, Quetta, on 1st April next.

Capt. G. C. Blair, 2nd Battalion, Royal Welsh Fusiliers, died at Home on the 26th December 1912.

An exchange has been sanctioned between Capt. B. Blood, 8th Cavalry, and Capt. F. A. Hamilton, 2nd Battalion, Essex Regiment. Capt. Hamilton has been posted to the 8th Cavalry.

Major R. B. Riddell, No. 90, Heavy Battery, is attached to the Royal Garrison Artillery in India, on promotion.

The posting of Capt. Geary to No. 73 Company, Royal Garrison Artillery, Attock, has been cancelled.

Lt. Ling, Royal Engineerrs has been selected for appointment as an officer of a Company of Gentlemen Cadets at the Royal Military Academy.

STATION ORDERS.

(By Major-General G. F. Gorringe, C. B., C. M. G., D. S. O., Commanding Troops, Bombay.)

The following arrivals and departures reported at Bombay are published:—

NORTHERN ARMY.

Arrivals.—Lieut. A. E. B. Parson, 52nd Sikhs, Major S. Lethbridge, Royal Artillery, Captain D. A. Rasbotham, 1st (King's) Dragoon Guards, Captain. D. D. Wilson, 17th Cavalry, Major R. A. N. Tytler, 2nd Bn., Gordon Highlanders, Lieut. W. G. Maxwell, 2nd Bn., Gordon Highlanders.

Departures.—Captain P. G. Carey, 31st Punjabis, Major C. D.

TURKEY'S RECALCITRANCE.

THE DIFFERENCE OVER ADRIANOPLE.

Rumanian Demand for Large Cession.

SERVIA TO BE TOLD TO LEAVE ALBANIA.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

LONDON, DEC. 31.

The Powers have decided nothing concerning Turkey's proposal that they should take some action to promote peace. Meanwhile the Ambassadors in Constantinople are urging moderation, and they emphasise the necessity of Turkey recognizing the present situation.

LONDON, JAN. 1.

Reuter learns that Dr. Daneff and Reshid Pasha met privately on Monday, and discussed the whole situation, earnestly attempting to arrive at an understanding. It appears that the Turkish attitude is influenced by the attitude of the Army, which demands the retention of Adrianople.

Bulgarian circles in London declare that there have been many desertions from the garrison of Adrianople recently.

It is understood that, immediately peace is concluded, Austria and Italy, in the name of Europe, will invite Servia to withdraw her troops from Albania.

LONDON, JAN. 1.

It is reported in Vienna that Rumania wants cession of territory on the Danube amounting to about 1,150 square miles.

THE OPIUM SITUATION.

Crisis Averted by Action of Banks.

HONGKONG, DEC. 31.

The crisis foreshadowed by the opium merchants and banks in their recent petition to Sir John Jordan has been averted by the leading banks not calling on the merchants for a further margin to cover the heavy depreciation on hypothecated opium. The delay in the settlement of the merchants' claims, pending the decision of the Imperial Government, is creating an anxious situation.

CHINESE FINANCE.

Russia Pressing for Payment of Indemnity.

LONDON, JANY. 1.

A message to the *Times* from Peking says that China begins the New Year by defaulting, as payment of the indemnity cannot be made on January 1st, the funds not being forthcoming. Russia opposes the granting of further grace, and threatens to foreclose on some source of revenue, possibly in Manchuria. France supports Russia in thus making China bankrupt. If Russia carries out her intention, the present Government, which is already dangerously invertebrate, may collapse altogether.

INDIANS IN CANADA.

Mutual Interdiction for British Columbia.

LONDON, JAN. 1.

The Premier of British Columbia, in a New Year's message to the people, expresses himself hopefully regarding the Dominion Government acceding to Columbia's request for legislative interdiction of Asiatic immigration. He says that Canada and the Empire should tell China and Japan that "we are prepared to accept the same prohibition against our own people as it is proposed to place against theirs. We can easily develop commercial and business relations with them, but not social and economic intercourse.

EX-PRESIDENT CASTRO.

Detained on Arrival at New York.

NEW YORK, JAN. 1.

Ex-President Castro has arrived on board a French liner. He was removed to the immigration station, pending inquiry as to his eligibility to enter.

ATLANTIC SHIPPING.

LONDON, JAN. 1.

Mr. Ismay will retire from the presidency of the International Mercantile Marine in June, and will be succeeded by Mr. Harold Sanderson.

IMPERIAL PREFERENCE.

LONDON, JAN. 1.

The Duke of Westminster, in a letter to the Press, appeals for large subscriptions on behalf of the fund for Imperial Preference.

NEW SPANISH "CABINET."

LONDON, JAN. 1.

Count Romanones has formed a Spanish Cabinet.

THE TRANSPORT HARDINGE.

LONDON, DEC. 31.

The transport "Hardinge" sails from Southampton on the 11th of January, with drafts for Bombay.

CLAN LINER DISABLED.

LONDON, DEC. 31.

The s.s. "Clan Mackenzie," bound for Calcutta, is ashore near Cadiz. Assistance has been sent.

LONDON, JAN. 1.

A Lloyd's message from Malta says that the steamer "Clan Ferguson," which previously signalled that her engines had broken down, is entering port under her own steam, with attending.

FURTHER HONOURS LIST.

PEERAGE FOR SIR GEORGE CLARKE.

Honour for the New East Indies Admiral.

THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

LONDON, DEC. 31.

Peerages are conferred on Sir George Sydenham Clarke and Sir George Kemp.

TO BE PRIVY COUNCILLORS.

The Earl of Desart.

[Hamilton John Agmondesham Cuffe, 5th Earl of Desart, K.C.B., J.P., D.L., B.A., descends from the Cuffes of Creech St. Michael who received a coat-of-arms in the time of Henry III. He has held several legal appointments, and was British Plenipotentiary at the Naval International Conference of London, 1908-9. He is a British member of the Hague Tribunal.]

Sir John Simon.

[Sir John Allsebrook Simon, Kt., K.C.V.O., K.C., M.P. (L) for Walthamstow Division, Essex, has been Solicitor-General since 1910. He was one of the Counsel for the British Government in the Alaska Boundary Arbitration, 1903, and member of the Royal Commission on Justices of the Peace.]

TO BE G.C.B.

Admiral Sir G. Noel.

[Admiral Sir Gerald Noel was Commander-in-Chief on the China Station, 1904-6, and at the Nore, 1907-8, retiring in the latter year.]

TO BE K.C.B.

Vice-Admiral Hamilton.

[Admiral James DeCourcy Hamilton is a retired naval officer who has seen service in Egypt, and from 1903-9 was Chief Officer of the London Fire Brigade.]

Dr. Hilston, former Inspector-General of Hospitals.

Sir John Anderson, Under-Secretary for the Colonies.

[Sir John Anderson, G.C.M.G., joined the Colonial office in 1907 after a distinguished career at Aberdeen University. He was attached to the staff for the Behring Sea arbitration in London and Paris, 1892-93, and Secretary to the Conference of Colonial Premiers with Mr. Chamberlain, 1897. He accompanied the Prince of Wales on his Colonial tour. He has been Governor of the Straits Settlements and High Commissioner of the Federated Malay States, also High Commissioner of Brunei.]

TO BE K.C.V.O.

Major-General Crutchley.

[Major-General Charles Crutchley, M. V. O, has been Lieut.-Governor and Secretary, Royal Hospital, Chelsea, since 1909.]

TO BE K.C.M.G.

The following are created K.C.M.G. :—

Major Clauson, of Malta.

The Governor of Uganda.

[Mr. Frederick J. Jackson, C.B., C.M.G., of the Civil Service in the East Africa and Uganda Protectorates. He has also been employed on active military service in those territories.]

Sir E. Morris, Prime Minister of Newfoundland.

[Sir E. Morris has held several high legal appointments under the Dominion Government. Delegate with Premier Boad, 1901, on French Shore question.]

Sir J. Whitney, Premier of Ontario.

Mr. Tyrrell, of the Foreign Office.

[Mr. William George Tyrrell, C.B., is Senior Clerk of the Foreign Office, and Private Secretary to Sir Edward Grey. He entered the Foreign Office in 1889, and has held several important secretarial appointments.]

Mr. E. Brockman, Malay States.

The Sultan of Kelantan to be Honorary K.C.M.G.

TO BE BARONETS.

Vice-Admiral Sir Percy Scott.

[Vice-Admiral Sir Percy Scott, K.C.B., K.C.V.O., LL.D., is well-known as the distinguished naval officer who has done so much to improve the gunnery of the fleet. Is the inventor of the night signalling apparatus now in use, and other naval appliances, the latest being a fire director. He was exceedingly useful in the South African War.]

Mr. Caird, Dundee jute merchant.

Mr. Henry Bartlett, contractor

Sir Frank Crisp,

[Sir Frank Crisp is the senior partner of a London firm of solicitors. He has been Treasurer and Vice-President of the Linnean Society, honorary secretary to the Royal Microscopical Society, and is an expert on Company law.]

Mr. Thomas Jackson, eminent architect.

[Mr. Thomas Graham Jackson became an R.A. in 1896. He was a pupil of Sir George Gilbert Scott, R.A., and, in addition to designing a large number of well known public buildings, he has superintended restorations at Winchester Cathedral, Christchurch Priory, Great Malvern Priory and Bath Abbey, among other places.]

Sir Maurice Levy, M.P.

[Sir Maurice Levy, M. P., has been Liberal member of the Loughborough Division of Leicestershire since 1900.]

Colonel Bagot, M.P.

[Col. Charles Harvey Bagot, C.B., retired from the Army in 1904, when he was Dy. Inspector General of Fortifications. He has served in India, Afghanistan, South Africa and Canada.

KNIGHTHOODS.

Knighthoods are conferred on the following :—

Mr. Rowland Bailey, of the Stationery Office

Mr. Thomas Bowring, prominent shipowner.

Dr. Francis Darwin.

[Dr. Francis Darwin is the third son of Charles Darwin and has followed up his father's investigations. He was president of the British Association for 1908.]

Mr. Richard Essex, M.P.

[Mr. R. W. Essex has represented Stafford as a Liberal since 1910. He is in business in the wall-paper industry.]

Mr. John Goodwin, merchant of Bradford.

Mr. Arthur Holland, shipowner.

Mr. Arthur Liberty, of Messrs. Liberty and Co.

Mr. Richard Mathias, shipowner.

Mr. Andrew Pettigrew, of Glasgow.

Dr. Robert Philip, of Edinburgh.

Mr. Frank Ree, General Manager of the L. and N.-W. Railway.

Mr. Dods Shaw of the House of Commons staff.

Mr. Wilkinson, Consul at Mukden.

Lieut.-Colonel Yorke, of the Board of Trade.

[Lt.-Col. Horatio Arthur Yorke, R. E., has been Chief Inspecting Officer of Railways to the Board of Trade since 1900. He served in the Afghan War and in the Nile Expedition, 1884-85.]

Mr. Justice Davies of Hongkong.

[The Hon. William Rees Davies, K.C., was made Attorney-General of Hong-Kong in 1907. He was Private Secretary to Sir W. Harcourt when Chancellor of the Exchequer, and has held legal appointments in Cyprus and the Bahamas.]

Mr. Justice Lascelles of Ceylon.

[Mr. Justice Alfred George Lascelles has served in Cyprus as District Judge, and held high legal appointments in Ceylon before being made Chief Justice.]

TO BE C.M.G.

Mr. John Fraser, Government Agent, Ceylon.

TO BE C.B.

Rear-Admiral Ommanney.

[Rear-Admiral Robert Nelson Ommanney has been Admiral Superintendent of Chatham Dockyard since 1909.]

Rear-Admiral Peirse.

[Rear-Admiral R. H. Peirse, who has just been appointed Commander-in-Chief, East Indies Squadron, is at present in command of the First Battle Squadron of the Home Fleet.]

Rear-Admiral Turner.

Captain de Bartholme.

OIL KING AT BAY.

Mr. Rockefeller Objects to be Subpoenaed.

NEW YORK, JAN. 1.

Mr. William Rockefeller is wanted as a witness in the Money Trust investigation, and his mansion is besieged by a host of detectives armed with subpoenas. Mr. Rockefeller, like a mediæval baron, is guarded by numerous retainers, and the doctor declares that he is ill. The general impression, however, is that he is avoiding giving evidence.

THE INSURANCE ACT.

Sufficient Doctors Believed to be Available.

LONDON, DEC. 31.

To-day is the last day for forming panels of doctors to work the Insurance Act, and, although doubts and hesitations are still manifest in some quarters, it appears tolerably certain that a sufficient number of doctors will come forward to supply the majority of the panels. According to the latest reports, London is amply covered.

DEPRECIATION OF SILVER.

LONDON, DEC. 31.

In the House of Commons, Mr. Field asked for an inquiry as to whether other causes were at work to account for the depreciation in silver since 1888, other than the introduction into London in that year of silver as a gambling commodity.

Mr. Baker replied that it was not within the province of the Secretary of State to institute such inquiries.

NEW YEAR IN LONDON.

LONDON, JAN. 1.

The incoming New Year was celebrated in traditional fashion by thousands of enthusiastic Scots at St. Paul's. The hotels were crowded, and the decorations were picturesque, while the illuminations were on a lavish scale.

THE LABOUR PARTY.

LONDON, DEC. 31.

The agenda of the forthcoming Conference of the Labour party emphasises the importance of discipline, and contains recommendations to ensure the loyalty of members.

UNIONIST CONFERENCE.

LONDON, DEC. 31.

It is officially stated that the announcement regarding the Conference of Unionist leaders, which was made last evening, is without foundation.

STAFFORD HOUSE.

LONDON, DEC. 31.

In the House of Commons to-day, Mr. Asquith announced that Sir William Lever had offered the remainder of the lease of Stafford House as a gift to the nation, subject to certain conditions. The Government much appreciated his generosity, and was now considering the matter.

OBITUARY.

LONDON, JAN. 1.

The death is announced of Mr. J. W. Summers, M.P.

[Mr. James Woolley Summers, sat for Flint Boroughs as a Liberal in Parliament since 1910. He was Chairman of Messrs. John Summers and Co., Ltd., and had been Chairman of the County Council of Flintshire and a member of the Stalybridge Town Council and School Board. He favoured disestablishment of the Church in Wales and self-government for Ireland in purely Irish affairs, subject to the supreme authority of the Imperial Parliament.]

GOLD FOR INDIA.

PORT SAID, JAN. 1.

The P. and O. steamer "Arabia", to-day, shipped £400,000 of gold for Bombay.

DEATH OF A SURVEY OFFICER.

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.)

CALCUTTA, DEC. 31.

The death is reported in the General Hospital, Calcutta, of Mr. R. Bruce Foote, late of the Geological Survey of India. Mr. Bruce Foote joined the Survey of India as an Assistant in 1858, and retired while in the rank of Superintendent in 1891, after thirty-three years' service, at the age of fifty-seven. The greater part of his service was spent in the Madras Presidency, of which he surveyed the major part. His most important work was the survey of Dharwar Rocks, which contained important auriferous veins. His son is Col. Bruce Foote, Superintendent in charge of the Ordnance Factory at Ichapore.

THE WEATHER.

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.)

SIMLA, JAN. 1.

The weather continues dry over the Indian area, but a disturbance is approaching through Persia.

Forecast:—Light local rain in Baluchistan and Assam.

Gas is a valuable adjunct to the ventilation of your room : it also destroys the organic impurities we exhale, and it is this which gives gas its greatest hygienic advantage over any other form of lighting.

TIBETAN AFFAIRS.

Reported Move towards Britain and Russia.

TREATY WITH MONGOLIA.

(THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.)

ST. PETERSBURG, DEC. 31.

A telegram to the *Novoye Vremya* from Urga states that the buriat, Djorjieff, has arrived there from Lhasa. He announced the declaration of the independence of Tibet and the accession of the Dalai Lama. He declared that he was empowered to negotiate a treaty between Tibet and Mongolia, and also to approach Russia with a view to an agreement by which Tibet would be protected by Russia and Britain. In the event of such an arrangement, the Dalai Lama would grant the protectors duty-free trade, the exploitation of the natural riches of the country, and the construction of railways, telegraphs, etc.

THE VICEROY'S CONDITON.

Wounds Still a Source of Discomfort.

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.)

DELHI, JAN. 1.

The following bulletin has been issued from Viceregal Lodge:—January 1—"His Excellency is progressing, but it will be some little time before he will be fit to transact any business. The wounds are healing, but they prevent him from lying or sitting in any comfortable position."

The following telegram was sent on behalf of the residents of Ilav to the Private Secretary of the Viceroy.

"Pray convey to Lord and Lady Hardinge on behalf of the residents of Ilav our sincere sense of sympathy and congratulations on their happy escape from the murderous design of some fanatic miscreant and ill-wisher of India. We pray for his Excellency's speedy recovery, and a long and illustrious career."

The following is the text of the reply from the Private Secretary of the Viceroy :—

"Many thanks for message of sympathy sent by residents of Ilav, which will be laid before Viceroy on his recovery. I am sure he will greatly appreciate it."

The Viceroy's Private Secretary has wired to Mrs. Jamnabai Nagindas Sakai :—"Many thanks for message of sympathy sent by Gujarati Hindu Stri Mandal, Bombay, which will be laid before Viceroy on his recovery. I am sure he will greatly appreciate it."

The following is the reply received from the Private Secretary to H. E. the Viceroy to the telegram sent by the Council of the Loyal Muslim Association of Bombay :—

"Many thanks for the message of sympathy sent by the Council of the Loyal Muslim Association of Bombay, which will be laid before H. E. the Viceroy on his recovery. I am sure he will greatly appreciate it."

ALL-INDIA MOSLEM LEAGUE.

To Advance the Principle of Self-Government.

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.)

LUCKNOW, DEC. 31.

A meeting of the Council of the Moslem League was held to-day to consider the new draft constitution, and decide as to the future policy. The objects of the League were defined as follows :—To promote maintenance among Indians of a feeling of loyalty to the British Crown ; to protect and advance the rights and interests of Indian Mussalmans ; without detriment to the foregoing objects, to attain a system of self-government suitable to India—bringing about constitutional administration by promoting national unity ; fostering public spirit among the Indian public ; and co-operating with other communities for this purpose.

H. H. the Aga Khan presided. Mr. Mazaharul Haque of Behar urged the cause of self-government on Colonial lines. Mr. Jinnah of Bombay spoke strongly against this. He urged that India's self-government must be on lines suitable to the Indians' special needs. He said that the National Congress had hitherto followed a wrong principle of self-government.

The draft constitution, as passed by the Council, will be considered by a full meeting of the League in March next, but the fact that the Council has accepted the principle of self-government, which the full meeting will undoubtedly support, marks a new era in the history of Moslem politics in India.

TROOPING SEASON.

Arrival of H. T. "Plassey."

The Hired Transport "Plassey," under the command of Captain F. E. Andrews, R. N. R., arrived in harbour on Wednesday from Southampton, 11th December, via Port said and Suez, with details of different regiments, consisting of 44 officers, 35 ladies and 15 children, 24 warrant officers, 28 women and 38 children, and 1,004 non-Commissioned officers and men, 41 women and 53 children. The troops will be landed to-day, in the Sassoon Dock, and will be despatched to Itarsi and Poona by two special troop trains. The following are the names of the officers :—

Capt. Armstrong and Lieut Edden 1st Inng. Fus; Lieut. Tee, 1st R. Irish Rifles; Major Large and family of Major Hanglay 1st Sherwood Foresters; Capt. Henderson, 2nd Black Watch; Lieut. Plimpton 2nd East Yorks; Capt. Forster, 1st North Fus; Capt. Hopkins, 1st K. O. S. B; Capt. Reddy, 2nd Cheshire Regt; Lieut. Hope Johnstone, 2nd, Lieut Callings, 2nd R. Fus; Major Suback, Capt. Skinner, Lieut. Sandford, 2nd, Lieut. Glennie and Slater R. E., Majors Hennessy and Callen, Capt. Kyte Lieut. Bissett and R. A. M. C.; Weston, Capt Bowes Wilson, 2nd, Lieut. Gelsare, and family of Major Tyndall, 1st W. Riding Regt., wife of Major Fitzmaurice, R. H. A., wife of Major-Genl. Macbean Staff, Capt. Montague Bales, 2nd K. Surrey Regt; Lieut Birt- whistle 1st R. Sussex Regt. Lieut. Kitson, R. Navy; Col. Johnstone, I Army, Col. Newson, A. V. O., Lieut. MacDonald, 2nd Cameron Highrs; wife of Lt. Stevenson, Hamilton, H. L. I. family, of Capt. Melford; S. Stafford, Lt. Garnett, 2nd, Lieut. Jenkins, wife of Maj. Bushe, family of Capt. Marshall, R. G. A.; family of Lt. H.Lowther, 2nd N. Staffords, Lieut. Goldfray, 103rd M. L. I.; Lieut. Irim, 1st Gor. Rangers; Capt. Harris; 2nd, R. Beaks; Regt. Lieuts Anderson and Morrison, I. M. S., Capt Duff, 1st Gurkha Rifles, Capt. Cornesty 1-6 Gurkha Rifles Capt Shar; 2-1 Gurkha Rifles ; Capt. Davies, 127th Baluch L. I., Lieut Ruck, 95th Russels Inf.; Capt. Magniac 22nd Punjabis; Lieut Lind of 41st Dogras; wife of Capt. Morris, 82nd Punjabis, family of Lieut. King, 46th Punjabis; wife of Capt. Estwick, daughter of Lieut. Heapy, Messrs French and Dundas, Q A M N S I.

PROCLAMATION DAY.

Lord Clarke present at the Bombay Parade.

The troops in garrison paraded on the Maidan, yesterday morning, to commemorate Proclamation Day. A large number of people began to arrive from an early hour to witness the review. The unusually large number of spectators was accounted for by the fact that his Excellency Lord Clarke, Governor of Bombay, had signified his intention to be present at the function. It was the first occasion on which Lord Clarke had attended the Proclamation Parade, and instead of holding two parades—one at Colaba and another on the Maidan—a combined parade was held on the general parade ground, the Artillery, the Governor's Bodyguard, and the British and Indian Infantry participating.

Four companies of the Royal Garrison Artillery, four of the Sherwood Foresters, and the 95th Russell's Infantry were drawn up under the command of Col. Vincent. The troops were in position, facing the sun by 8-10 a.m.

Major-General Gorringe, Commanding Troops, Bombay, accompanied by Major Dobbs, Captain Yates, and Captain McLean, arrived on the ground at 8-30.

Soon after him, the Governor and suite arrived. His Excellency Lord Clarke, escorted by the Bodyguard, drove in a state carriage, accompanied by her Ladyship, and attended by Major Greig, Military Secretary, and Captain Davis.

On the Governor's arrival, the booming of cannon was heard from the south-east corner of the ground, where the guns had been brought from Colaba, and ranged in position to fire the salute.

The troops fired a "feu-de-joie," and then marched past in column, returning in quarter column. The Body-guard first trotted, and then galloped past. The troops were finally formed up, and advanced in review order.

At the conclusion of the parade, a hollow square was formed, and Lord Clarke presented three Long Service Medals. His Excellency congratulated the recipients of the medals, and addressed a few complimentary words to the troops generally.

INVESTITURE AT POONA.

The troops in Poona and Kirkee paraded yesterday morning on the general parade ground, a large gathering being present to witness the ceremony. The usual royal salute of thirty-one guns was fired, followed by "feu-de-joie" and three cheers for his Imperial Majesty. This done, Genl. Sir A. A. Barrett pinned the ribbon of the First Class of the Order of British India on Subedar Shaik Ebrahim of the 116th Mahrattas. The troops then formed quarter column and marched past the saluting base, the cavalry returning at a gallop.

AT THE CAPITAL.

The New Year in the new capital was ushered in yesterday morning by a Proclamation Parade of the troops in garrison, on the wide open space in the heart of the city, lying between Chandni Chowk and the Fort. In the absence of the Viceroy, Lady Hardinge, Sir O'Moore, and Lady, Creagh, and all the civil and military officers in Delhi were present, besides a considerable gathering of the general public. Similar proclamation parades were held in other garrison stations throughout India.

SECUNDERABAD'S DISPLAY.

The usual New Year's Day Proclamation Parade of all the troops in this garrison was held at 9 a. m. to-day. Brig. Genl. Rodwell was in command and the whole proceedings went off without a hitch. Under beautiful weather conditions the troops from all directions began to mass themselves at about 8-30 a. m. and by 9 were drawn up in a double line along the whole length of the maidan. The white uniforms of the two British Infantry regiments the Artillery and the 7th Dragoon Guards, somewhat relieved the sombre uniforms of the Indian troops. Punctually at 9 o'clock the "feu-de-joie" was fired, with the usual salute of thirty one guns. The general salute was then given, and three cheers for the King called for, and heartily responded to. The troops then marched past the Union Jack at the saluting base. There were present many local personages of note, and a huge concourse of the general public. Seven thousand, four hundred troops were on the ground, including the 7th Dragoon Guards, 20th Deccan Horse, 34th Poona Horse, "N" Battery, R. H. A., 17th Brigade, R. F. A., the King's (Shropshire Light Infantry), 1st Brahmans, 6th Jats, 94th Infantry, 12th Company, Sappers and Miners, Royal Ioniskilling Fusiliers, 64th Pioneers, 83rd and 109th Infantry, and 1st and 2nd Hyderabad Imperial Service Lancers.

CALCUTTA.

The Proclamation parade took place on the maidan yesterday morning, the salute being taken by Col. Molesworth, the senior military officer present. Afterwards Lord Carmichael, who attended the parade, presented four Indian officers of the 4th Pathans with the Order of British India.

RANGOON.

The usual Proclamation Parade was held at 8 a.m, yesterday on the Brigade parade ground, when all the troops and volunteers in the station turned out. There was a large gathering of spectators.

BANGALORE.

The Proclamation Parade was held in charming weather yesterday. All the troops in the garrison took part in it, except the volunteers. The salute was taken at the base by Col. Betham, General Wapshare being in bed with a sprained foot. "G" Battery fired a salute of thirty-one guns, and the Infantry fired the usual "feu-de-joie," which was followed by cheers for the King-Emperor. Before the final march past, the Order of British India was presented to Subedar-Major Devasshayam of the 2nd Sappers and Miners and Long Service Medals to Qr.-Sergts. Dolan and Gale of the Royal Engineers, and to Sergt. Aitkins of the Cameron Highlanders.

NANDOD.

The usual Proclamation Parade was held at Nandod by the order of H. H. the Maharaja Sir Chhatrasinhji of Rajpipla. A salute of thirty-one guns was fired, with a "feu-de-joie" three times. Three hearty cheers, proposed by his Highness, for their Imperial Majesties, were given by the troops and the spectators. The Maharaja called for another cheer for H. E. the Viceroy's speedy recovery, which was cordially responded to.

A NEW YEAR FUNCTION.

Last evening, the Town Hall was converted into a land of delight, for the engineers of the British India Steam Navigation Company were "at home" to a large number of guests, amongst whom were the Hon. Mr. Carmichael, Lloyd's surveyors, and the commanders of all the company's ships in port. The guests were welcomed at the entrance by Mr. R. A. Murdoch, Superintending Engineer, and Mr. H. B. Spiers, Hon. Secretary. The chief feature of the evening was a well-organized programme of dances, in which close on a hundred and seventy ladies and gentlemen took part in it. Excellent music added to the increased enjoyment of the gathering, which lasted till the small hours of the morning. The success of the function was due mainly to the efforts of Messrs. Murdoch and Spiers, who had left nothing undone to please their guests.

INQUEST.

Suicide by Opium-Eating

Yesterday, at the Morgue, the Deputy Coroner, Mr. H. P. T. Lattey, held an inquest on view of the body of a Hindu woman, named Radhabai, aged twenty-five, living in Bellasis-road.

On Saturday last, when the deceased's husband came from his work at about 11 a.m., and found that she had not cooked his food properly, admonished and slapped her, she was cross at this, but subsequently appeared to have regained her good humour.

On Monday night she went to bed as usual, and next morning was found lying unconscious. She was removed to the Sir J. J. Hospital, where it was ascertained that she had died from the effects of opium-poisoning. In her room a tin box was found emptied of the opium usually kept in it for administering to an infant.

The jury returned a verdict of suicide.

NOTES ON INDIAN INTERESTS

THOUGHTS BY A NATIVE THINKER.

THE OUTRAGE. I chanced to be in the midst of scenes of beauty and gladness, where hills and valleys and streams and woods brought infinite peace to the heart, when I heard the news of the grievous outrage. It was a bolt from the blue. It came when it was least expected. It was a hideous blot upon a happy event marking an epoch in the history of the progress and contentment of the land, and, as such, attended by every circumstance of joy and goodwill. Lord Hardinge, the central figure of the ceremonial, the man who had had an important share in bringing about the event which was being celebrated, was receiving felicitations on behalf of the princes and people of India, as a generous and high-minded Englishman, who had cordially identified himself with every scheme and movement for the welfare of India. He had taken a conspicuous part, in the face of obloquy and resentment from interested quarters, in the restoration of Delhi as the Imperial capital of India. He had just recalled, in one of his addresses at Delhi, the exhortation of Lord Lawrence before he finally left the country, to British officials, to be just and kind to the people, and he expatiated on the same congenial theme in another address, which was read in his absence at the Durbar. The lofty sentiments it contained have always moved him as Viceroy of India, and have entered into his policy and his principles. "England," he said, "in days to come will point with pride to the peace and contentment of the millions over whom the King-Emperor exercises sway, to the trust and confidence which she has been able to repose on their loyalty, and perhaps, most proudly of all, to the generous share which she has been able to give with gladness to the sons of India, in sharing her counsels and in shaping the destiny of this great and wonderful country, of which Delhi, re-created as it is under different and happier auspices, may, we trust, with grace continue to be for long future ages the noble capital of a great empire of ever increasing happiness and prosperity." No commentary on the crime could be more damning than that such a man, so sincere, so true-hearted, and so lofty of purpose, should be the mark for a murderous deed. No motive of vengeance or malevolence for the atrocity can possibly be conceived in connection with a single word or deed of Lord Hardinge's in India, and, therefore, the first natural impulse which it awoke, and which we would fain believe for the credit of humanity, was that it might have been the work of a lunatic. But the probabilities, I am grieved to say, point to it as the product of a foul and villainous plot.

UNIVERSAL INDIGNATION. People wonder that after the pleasing succession of reforms and boons and concessions, anarchism should still survive in the land. They forget that anarchism takes no thought of these things. It is beyond the pale of law, and reason, and humanity. It is vain to expect that it can be killed by kindness, because kindness cannot touch it. It is much too wicked, diabolical and inhuman to be governed by conscience or any moral sense. It is in such vile opposition to all goodness, that it seems to take particular delight in marking down some of the best and noblest as its victims. It must be closely watched in India ; it must be unearthed and followed with the sternest retribution. It is revolting to the sense of Indian people. It is repellant even to the general body of extremists, as witness the voluntary message of sympathy and appreciation forwarded by Mr. Bepin Chandra Pal to the Viceroy, even he who once went perilously near preaching the cult of the bomb. The outrage has produced an universal feeling of abhorrence and indignation among all classes of Indians. It has been made a ground of complaint before, that some Indian publicists have been rather halting in their condemnation of such atrocities, that they have suggested excuses as the provocative cause of the crimes. I have not yet encountered any notable instance, on the present occasion at least, of faint or reserved condemnation. Indeed, we Indians have a number of good and strong reasons for lamenting the outrage even more than the Government. We are ashamed of such dastardly deeds, because we feel them as a blot upon our honour and reputation. We abhor them, because they might do infinite mischief, and might, if anything, put a check upon our progress. We take the anarchist, therefore, as the real enemy of his country, and in our own interests we should like the whole tribe of this vermin to be extirpated by every means in our power. They want to make the government of the country impossible ; but it is absolutely impossible for them to carry out their design, ever so partially. Chaos, thank God, we shall never witness, while the Government is strong and firm, and the people are loyal and devoted. There are Indians who are violent and extreme in their views. There are others who do not feel exuberant affection either for the Government or the ruling community. But they are united with the millions of India, princes and peasants, in a rational and, for the masses, instructive belief that, making all allowances for the shortcomings and self-interest of a foreign domination, the British rule is indispensable, and its maintenance is a blessing to India. This cardinal proposition should never be lost sight of, and, in all our political thoughts and aspirations, we cannot much go wrong, if we proceed on this fundamental truth.

LESSONS AND DEDUCTIONS. The conspirators have seen that, despite their attempt to wreck and ruin the Delhi ceremonial, it went on exactly as it had been planned. It affords a striking illustration of the British character, its dogged perseverance, its intrepidity and resolution, unperturbed in the presence of a sudden outburst disabling the Hamlet of the piece. There was no confusion, no disorder, no emotional extravagance, and, above all, no pause or break in the work that had to be done. Whatever might happen, the King's government must be carried on. Some good has come out of this evil. It has given an unmistakable proof, as only such an event can give, of Indian loyalty. It has revealed to Lord Hardinge; as no other occasion might have done, the love and esteem felt by all India for his personality and character. His Excellency is firmly seated in the heart of my countrymen, and the outrage has only served to deepen their attachment to his person. While the attitude of the vernacular Press is laudably correct, it may also be noted that the tone of the Anglo-Indian, as well as the English, Press, has been calm and judicial, and its comments have been most reasonable, in the main. I have come across one notable exception, however, in the case of the *Morning Post* of London. The writer traces Indian anarchy to "the bad system of education by which the manufacture of anarchists goes on continuously, and, if not checked, will make India very difficult to govern." He seems to have got hold of the impression, somehow, that the system of education needs amending, and, with the flippancy of ignorance, has rushed to this conclusion. If education and enlightenment were the prime and direct cause of anarchism, then it should be banished, not only from India, but from all places where anarchism exists, and that is chiefly in the West. If it were maintained that it is only education, as it is given in India, that leads to anarchism as its general and inevitable result, then the critic could not have expressed a stronger condemnation, not only of lack of foresight and statesmanship but also of ordinary common-sense, in our rulers. Education has taught the Indians one or two important truths, one of which is the futility of the bomb, and their abhorrence of its cult.

EXTIRPATION OF ANARCHISM. We may be sure that the outrage will not lead to any change of policy, because it cannot be allowed to be affected by the conduct of a few individuals comprising a nefarious band, and Lord Hardinge will emerge from his trial a greater friend of India. We have held indignation meetings all over the country, and have sent sympathetic messages to the Viceroy. What is now wanted is that anarchism must be stamped out, if possible, and this can only be effected by the co-operation of the people with the Government. I am afraid the Intelligence Department of the Government is not smart enough, or it may be that the persons who are working underground are too smart for them. If the Indian police is not equal to the task of hunting them down, then it may be advisable to import better detective talent from abroad. The services of men of first-rate ability in this line, after they have had an insight into the peculiar conditions of India, may prove invaluable in breaking up the secret confederacy. With our prayers that the criminal, in the present instance, may be soon detected and brought to his doom, we should expect that the authorities will not stop short at this point, but will continue to make strict and close investigations to trace his comrades to their lair. For we may take it as almost certain that this is not an isolated act of an individual, but is the outcome of a plan concerted by a secret organization.

DION.

THE ROBERTS NURSING HOME.

Inaugural Ceremony.

(FROM A CORRESPONDENT.)

Among the various functions, which took place during the visit of Their Excellencies the Viceroy and Lady Hardinge to Indore, the most important perhaps was the laying of the foundation-stone of "The Roberts Nursing Home". Although many people in different parts of India have found in this home alleviation from their sufferings, the institution is not perhaps as generally well-known as it should be. Institutions of this kind are urgently needed for the European and Anglo-Indian Civil population, for whom little or no provision is made, though their Military brethren have well-equipped Hospitals and a trained nursing staff at all important centres. The large European and Anglo-Indian Community, which is spread out along the great Railway lines, and the Officers of the Civil Administration, scattered throughout British India and Native States, have nowhere to go when they require more care and attention than the occasional services of a physician can provide, as in cases necessitating an operation or an illness demanding that skill which only trained nursing can give. It is this which the Roberts Home at Indore, provides at very small cost, the fees inclusive of everything, except the actual cost of food, being from Rs. 3 to 8 per diem. The crying necessity for such an institution was at once noticed by Colonel J. R. Roberts (now Surgeon to His Excellency the Viceroy), when Residency Surgeon at Indore. He commenced by taking patients into his own house; then as the demand increased, he hired accommodation for them, but this soon proved quite inadequate. Faced by this difficult problem, Colonel Roberts found the assistance he sought from the authorities of the Franciscan Mission, who in the true spirit of charity, placed their house at Indore at his disposal as a Nursing Home, while the nuns of the Mission were allowed to work as nurses. The new Home became at once full, the applications for admission indeed far exceeding the possibilty of accommodation it being constantly necessary to use even the operating room as a ward. The knowledge that such a Home had been opened soon spread, although no steps were taken to advertise, and it rapidly became apparent that to carry out the work, which was demanded of it a special Building and proper equipment must be provided, the house used, which was not intended for a hospital, being in many ways quite unsuitable. After careful consideration of the possibilities, the matter was taken up in earnest and an appeal was made for funds. It was estimated that Rs. 50,000 would be needed to erect the Home and equip it, it being self-sustaining. The Government of India were approached for countenance and assistance and they generously consented to give Rs. 25,000, if a similar sum was subscribed, and steps were taken for the efficient control of the institution. Now that plans have been approved and a site selected, it is found that to complete the whole range of building at least Rs. 60,000 will be required. The European population in neither rich nor numerous, but all those, who have experienced the benifits of the Home, contributed most generously, while one Indian gentleman out of personal gratitude to Colonel Roberts, made a large donation towards it. His Highness the Maharaja Holkar, whose European employees have often benefited, also gave a large subscription.

On the 8th of November, Her Excellency Lady Hardinge laid the foundation-stone of the new building before a considerable gathering of Europeans and Indians. The short address given on this occasion by the Residency Surgeon Major Smith explains the situation. "Your Excellency, Ladies, and Gentlemen,—The Council wish me to express their gratitude to Your Excellency for having so kindly associated yourself with the Roberts Nursing Home by consenting to lay the foundation-stone of the New Building, and thus inaugurate an institution, which will be of inaluculable benefit to those, for whom it is being built. This Nursing Home was founded about six years ago by Lt.-Col. Roberts, who was then Residency Surgeon, for the nursing and treatment of certain patients for whom no other hospital accommodation existed in this part of the country, and he was enabled to do so by the ready co-operation of the authorities of the Indian Franciscan Mission, and who permitted members of the order to undertake the nursing, and we are specially indebted to the Reverend Mother Marie Henri, who from the beginning has been in charge of the Nursing, and the internal economy of the Home, who in that capacity has endeared herself to all, who have come under her care. We are also indebted to Rao Saheb Dr. Bhandarker, Rai Saheb Dr. Surju Parsuad and other members of the staff of the King Edward Hospital, whose services they have always willingly placed at our disposal. The occupation of the old building was a temporary measure and it has been found to possess many disadvantages more especially in the inadequate and uncomfortable accommodation it provides for the Nursing Sisters, and from the fact that it only contains rooms for four patients. Owing to the initiative of Colonel Roberts and the generosity of his friends, it has now been found possible to remove these deficiencies by the erection of a new hospital in which all modern conveniences and appliances for the treatment of disease will be provided, and which will have eight separate wards and good quarters for the Nursing Sisters. The founder's name with his permission has been given with the institution, which, in future, will be known as the "Roberts" Nursing Home."

A sum of some Rs. 50,000 has already been subscribed, the largest donors being His Highness the Maharaja Holkar and Seth Kastoorchand, to complete the building a further sum of about Rs. 10,000 is required, and the Council have

expensive of race and creed, but the donations of the new building have been given on the understanding that it is for Europeans and Eurasians. It is hoped, however, that in the near future that its scope may be enlarged so as to include Indians amongst the patients, who can be treated and I have already in fact received a most generous offer by a Parsi gentleman, who wishes to erect at his own expense a double ward for members of his community, which offer will be laid before the Council at its next meeting. That the establishment of the Home has supplied a long felt want, is very apparent from the number of patients who have been admitted, which number year by year has increased from 37 in 1908-1909, to over 70 for the last year. And we are confident that the new Home now being inaugurated under these auspicious circumstances, will enter upon a career of increased usefulness."

For the control and direction of the institution at general Council has been formed, while a small Managing Committee carries on the executive work

GENERAL COUNCIL.

President: The Agent to the Governor-General in Central India. Members; The Resident at Indore; an Officer nominated by the Agent to the Governor-General in Rajputana; the Director General of the Indian Medical Service, Simla; the Residency Surgeon, Indore; an Agency Surgeon nominated by the Agent to the Governor-General in Central India; the Superintendent of the Central India Agency Office, the Chaplain at Indore; Member of the Canadian Presbyterian Mission, Indore; the Prefect Apostolic, Ajmer; one representative of the Rajputana-Malwa Railway (Narrow Gauge); one representative of the Bombay Baroda and Central India Railway (Broad Gauge); Mr. Ridland, Agent, Bank of Bombay, Indore; Major C. E. Luard, Political Department, Honorary Secretary, Managing Committee; the Officer in Executive Medical Charge, Major F. A. Smith, I. M. and S.; the Honorary Treasurer, Mr. Ridland, Agent, Bank of Bombay; the Honorary Secretary, Major C. E. Luard, Political Department; and the Superintendent, Central India Agency Office, Mr. H. Dracott.

EXECUTIVE STAFF.

Major F. A. Smith, I. M. and S. Residency Surgeon, Indore; Rao Saheb P. R. Bhandarkar, Assistant Surgeon, Lecturer on Medicine. King Edward Memorial Hospital, The Residency, Indore and Rai Saheb Surjo Parshad Sub-Assistant Surgeon, Lecturer on Anatomy; Indore.

It will be seen that the Council includes representatives of all sections of the community.

A list of the subscription is given below:—Subscribed in small sums. Rs. 7,925.

DONATIONS.

Seth Kasturchand. Rs. 10,000; and H. H. the Maharaja Holkar. Rs. 5,000.

Part of grant paid by Government, Rs. 20,000, total Rs. 42,925, interest on fixed deposit Rs. 175, total Rs. 43,100, still due from Government. Total Rs. 5,000, total Rs. 48,100.

The Bombay Baroda and Central India Railway many of whose employees benefit by the Home, have just made a donation of Rs. 3,000 which raises the total to Rs. 51,100.

It is, however, clear that more funds are ugently needed before the Home can become thoroughly useful, by making its equipment equal to all the demands of modern surgery, and it is earnestly hoped that all, who see this article, will send something, however, small, let them but ask any friends who have benefitted by the existence of the Home what it meant to them or their wives and children and they will find what a very real want this institution meets what a large gap it fills. Subscriptions will be received by the Bank of Bombay at any of its Branches, by the Agent to the Governor-General in Central India or Honorary Secretary to the Home, and in England by Sir David Barr, K. C. S. I. the India Office, or Messrs: Coutts and Company, 440 Strand London W. C.

DANGER TO ST. PAUL'S.

The Tramways and Improvements Bill which the London County Council will introduce in the next Session of Parliament provides, among other things, for a double line of tramways from Southwork-street over the proposed new St. Paul's Bridge and thence through a new subway passing under Cannon-street and St. Paul's Churchyard to the north-western end of Cheapside.

Mr. Mervyn Macartney, architect to the Dean and Chapter of the Cathedral, writes to warn people of London of the grave danger of all swing a subway to be constructed near the Cathedral. "From the end walls of the Cathedral to the side of the tunnel," he says, "measures 65ft., and the bottom is only 6ft. above the footings at their deepest point. Now St. Paul's stands on a thin bed of marl under which is over 40ft of loose sand-gravel, held together by the presence of water. If this is tapped in any way subsidence is bound to follow with what peril to the Cathedral I care not to predict. Tunnels of any king would send inevitably to disturb the water lodged in the subsoil and cause it to drain off inevitable intermittent vibration of subterranean traffic which cause the Dean and Chapter to make this protest. In brief as the Cathedral stands, with its vast united spaces, its enormous weight brough to earth by a few piers and its exact equilibrium, it is safe only so long as the subsoil remains undisturbed. No proposal I have heard of short of underpinning the whole area of the Cathedral and taking the foundations down to the clay some 50ft. below the present foundations would in my opinion safeguard the building. I cannot view so hazardous and expensive an under taking without the gravest misgivings.

SUN, MOON AND TIDES.

The following are the hours and heights of the tides in Bombay Harbour during the ensuing week. Hours stated in Bombay Mean Time; depth of water is at Prince's Dock sill:—

Day	Month	HIGH WATER. Bombay Mean Time.	Depth on Sill.		LOW WATER. Bombay Mean Time.	Depth on Sill.
		h. m.	ft. in.		h. m.	ft. in.
Jan.						
2	m	6 37	25 7		1 21 a	17 2
		8 50 a	26 4	m	2 18	21 7
3	m	7 42	25 2		2 14 a	16 10
		9 35 a	27 2	m	3 31	21 4
4	m	8 45	25 0		3 3 a	16 6
		10 25 a	27 10	m	4 27	20 11
5	m	9 41	25 1		5 48 a	16 4
		11 6 a	28 4	m	5 10	20 5
6	m	10 29	25 2		4 2 a	16 3
		11 42 a	28 8	m	5 46	20 0
7	m	11 12	25 5		5 5 a	16 3

The following are the hours of sunrise and sunset according to Indian Standard Time, during the ensuing week:—

Jan. 2	(Thursday)	Sunrise	7h 12m	Sunset	6h 13m
„ 3	(Friday)	„	7h 12m	„	6h 14m
„ 4	(Saturday)	„	7h 13m	„	6h 14m
„ 5	(Sunday)	„	7h 13m	„	6h 15m
„ 6	(Monday)	„	7h 13m	„	6h 15m
„ 7	(Tuesday)	„	7h 13m	„	6h 16m

PHASES OF THE MOON.—New Moon, Jan 7th, 3h 58-3 p.m.; First Quarter, 15th, 9h 31-6m a.m, Full Moon 22nd 9h 10-1m. a.m.; Last Quarter, 29th, 1h. 4-0 m. p.m.

RAILWAY RETURNS.

B. B. & C. I. RAILWAY.—Metre Gauge System.

Approximate Return of traffic for week ended 7th Dec. on 1,827·66 miles open.

	Coaching Traffic Receipts.	Goods and Mineral traffic Receipts.	Other Earnings (Estimated.)	Total Earnings.
	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.
Total Traffic for the week	1,99,000	3,50,000	7,000	5,56,000
Or per mile of Railway	109	191	4	304
For previous 22 weeks of half year	47,78,838	63,60,038	1,48,008	11,36,422
Total for 23 weeks	49,77,838	67,10,038	1,75,008	11,62,429
COMPARISON. Total for corresponding week of previous year	2,50,848	3,46,240	39,158	6,35,861
Per mile of Railway	137	190	21	348
Total to corresponding date	47,28,183	64,09,269	2,06,8 6	115-1288
Decrease for the week				Rs. 79 8 1
Increase to date				Rs. 32 141

SPORTING NEWS.

BOMBAY RACES.

Successful Opening of the Season.

BROWN'S TRIPLE WIN.

With the first of the Extra Meetings, yesterday afternoon, Bombay racegoers gave a fitting send off to a season which many look forward to.

All roads led to Mahalaxmi. Motors by the score, victorias and conveyances of every sort and description converged from every part of the city on Clarke-road. Foot-passengers were there in their hundreds, and the popularity of racing in Bombay would appear to have declined in no way. In spite of the strenuous enjoyment of the previous evening, and the great energy expended by so many holiday-makers in seeing the New Year fittingly installed, the patronage extended to Mahalaxmi Races was undiminished.

On the soft green carpet of the lawns, glowing with verdant life, ladies strolled contentedly, happy in the conviction of becoming dresses, and the evident appreciation of the mere male. Under the trees, Mr. Mailandaine waved his wand, treating us to pleasant music and tuneful melodies. Beneath the canvas tents clubland sipped its cocktails when not occupied in inspecting the horse-flesh and airing its knowledge of things racing.

Taken as a whole, it was, perhaps, not a good day for punters. The big merchants were away in Calcutta, and the money on the machines was not as much as it might have been.

The first two races produced large dividends, Rs. 108 and Rs. 115 being paid to the modest investor of a ten-rupee note on the winner. Ten to one was more than the bookies of olden days would have given.

If anything, fields were bigger than last season, and the abolition of the bookies has produced no diminution in the entries.

Brown, in winning three races out of the six on the card, maintained his reputation as our leading jockey. Those who followed him went home well content. Evans, fresh from conquests in Calcutta, brought home Brandy II, in the last race, an easy winner. Of the other two races, one fell to McGlone, and the other to Ferguson.

There were many changes, worthy of note in the first enclosure. The first leading alteration perhaps from the point of view of the Press, was the very acceptable alteration in the location of the Press Box, which, instead of being by the rail in the far right hand corner of the enclosure, is now situated at the top of the Grand Stand, where a very good view is obtainable of the course and the racing. The change is certainly a great improvement, and the thanks of the gentlemen of the Press are due to the authorities.

In front of the Grand Stand it was noticeable that grass had now been put down in place of the gravel which used to be there.

On the lawn of the paddock that beautifully designed and executed trophy, the Viceroy's Cup, was on view. Mr. Goculdas is to be congratulated on securing so magnificent a souvenir of his success.

Details:—

AN AUCTION PLATE.—3-15 p.m.

Winner Rs. 750; second Rs. 250; third Rs. 150. For Arab ponies 14 hands and under which have not won flat race value Rs. 500 or over since 31st March 1910. 14 hands entered to be sold for Rs. 1,200 to carry 10st. W. I. 3lbs. for each Rs. 100 down to Rs. 500. Allowance—Maidens, 5lbs. Distance—5 furlongs.

Mr. Beg's Sharar, 7st. 9lbs. .....McGlone 1
Mr. Brown's Plassy, 7st. 6lbs.....Brown 2
Mr. A. S. Osmer's Zuffar Beg, 8st. 7lbs....Templeman 3

ALSO RAN:—Imperial, 8st 4lbs; Nashad Pasna, 8st 10lbs; Aurum, 8st 4lbs; Farhan Beg, 7st 10lbs; Chairman, 7st 7lbs; Mijbas, 7st 6lbs; Geordie, 7st 4lbs; Sahbar 7st 3lbs, and Scindia 7st 11b.

THE RACE:—Plassy led out, closely followed by Mijbas. Plassy seemed to be putting in his run somewhat early. Zuffer Beg took the lead for a short time, closely followed by Imperial. In the straight, Sharar came away to win by 3 lengths from Plassy, who appeared to have had luck in being shut in. Three-fourths of a length between second and third.

TIME:—1 min. 9 secs.

TOTALISATOR:—Win Rs. 108. Places Rs. 20, Rs. 16-8, and Rs. 16.

(Winner trained by Cowasjee Burjorjee.)

A SELLING PLATE.—3-45 p.m.

Winner Rs. 1,000; second Rs. 300; third Rs. 200. For Maiden Arabs entered to be sold for Rs. 1,000. W. A. Allowance—Ponies 14 hands and under 4lbs. Distance—6 furlongs.

Mr Abdul Aziz Mahomed's Beyrut, 9st 11b Brown 1
Mr Mujeed Jurgi's Miner, 9st 3lbs.....Evans 2
Mr A K Tabar's Afzur Jung, 9st 11b.....Taylor 3

ALSO RAN:—Allworthy 8st 11lbs, Fathibey, 9st 11b, Clarenceux 8st 13lbs, Mulland 8st 13lbs, English Mail 8st 8lbs, Highflyer 8st 8lbs.

THE RACE:—Miner led for a time and looked like doing well. Afzur Jung showed up together with Allworthy. In the straight Beyrut went ahead to win comfortably by two lengths, the third horse being the same distance behind Miner.

TIME 1 min. 24 secs.

TOTALISATOR:—Win Rs. 115. Places Rs 22, Rs. 13 and Rs. 24.

(Winner by trained Saleh Dakeel.)

THE HOLIDAY PLATE.—4-15 p. m. Winner Rs. 1,000; second Rs. 300; third Rs. 200. For Arabs which have not won flat race value Rs 1,000 or over since 31st March 1910. W. A. reduced 10lbs, Penalties—Winners since 31st March 1910 of flat race value Rs 400 or over: once 5lbs; twice 10lbs; oftener 16lbs; winners since the above date of flat races of the aggregate value of Rs 2,000 or over 14lbs; of Rs 3,000 or over 7lbs, in addition to above penalties Allowances—Ponies 14 hands and under 4lbs; Maidens, 5 lbs Distance—About 7 furlongs.

Mr Ali Bin Talib's Nakib, 9st .....Ferguson 1
Mr Ali Bin Talib's Rozelmulook, 9st 9lb...Brown 2
Mr Beg's Mystic, 9st 3lbs.....Evans 3

ALSO RAN:—Askebu 9st 9lbs; Ghalyum 9st 3lbs; Lord Durham, 8st 12lbs; Shawcutt, 8st 12lbs; Wireless, 8st 5lbs; Different, 8st 8lbs; Akasee, 8st 7lbs; Bustan, 8st 5lbs; and Shirsab, 8st 3lbs.

THE RACE:—This produced a particularly good race, Rozelmulook and Nakib, from the same stable, making an exciting finish. Rozelmulook led from a struggling start, with Mysore in close attendance, and Wireless, not far off, Hamdoon, which carried the hopes of many, occupied the rear. Approaching the five furlong post, Shawcutt came to the front, Rozelmulook, still leading, was caught at the third furlong by Nakib, and a great race ensued down the straight, the two horses going neck and neck amid great excitement. Nakib won by a short head. Lord Durham disappointed many backers, running fourth. Mysore also had a good many followers. There were six lengths between second and third.

TIME:—1 min. 38 3-5 secs.

THE TOTALISATOR paid Rs. 38 on win, and Rs. 16, Rs. 16 and Rs. 25 on places.

(Winner trained by Mastapha bin Talib.)

THE NEW YORK PLATE.—4-45 p.m.

Winner Rs. 1,000; second Rs. 300; third Rs 200. For horses which have not won flat race value Rs 2,000 or over since 31st March 1910. W. A and C reduced 10lb. Penalties—Winner since 31st March 1910 of flat race value Rs 700 or over: once 6lbs; twice 12lbs; oftener 18lbs. Allowances—Ponies 14-2 and under 5 lbs; Maidens 10 lbs Distance—5 furlongs.

Mr RRS's Lord Carlyon, 9st 5lbs.....Brown 1
Mr J Crawford's Batesalore's Knot, 9st 5lbs Templeton 2
Mr M Goculdas' Forfeit, 9st 11lbs.....Robinson 3

ALSO RAN:—Baily Sand, 9st. 11lbs; Metal Top, 9st. 5lbs; Transmigration 8st. 4lbs; Duke of Lancaster 7st. 11lbs; Ma Chere, 7st. 6lbs; and Jungle Law, 7st. 3lbs.

THE RACE:—Lord Carlyon was a hot favourite, and it looked a one-horse race. He came to the front straight away, and at three furlongs was leading by a length. Turning the corner, Forfeit began to close up, and raised the hopes of his backers. However, he was unable to catch the leader, which won comfortably by 1 1-2 lengths, same distance between second and third.

TIME:—1 min. 1 2-5 secs.

THE TOTALISATOR paid Rs. 15 on a win and Rs. 11, Rs. 12-8, and Rs. 23 on places.

(Winner trained by T. Tingey.)

THE MORLAND PLATE.—5-15 p.m.

Winner Rs. 750; second Rs. 250; third Rs. 150. For Arab ponies 14 hands and under which have not won flat race value Rs. 2,000 or over since 31st March 1910. 14 hands to carry 9st. 12lbs. W. I. Allowances.—Ponies which have not won since 31st March 1910 flat race value Rs. 1,500 or over 7lbs; Rs. 1,000 or over 12lbs; Rs. 500 or over 16lbs. Maidens, 21lbs (not accumulative). Distance—6 furlongs.

Mr. R. R. S's Majesty, 8st. 7lbs.....Brown 1
Mr. M. Goculdas' Baloz, 9st. 11lbs.....Robinson 2
Mr. Abdulla Faraz' Reminder, 6st. 11lbs...Yusuf 3

ALSO RAN:—Raspberry, 7st 7lbs; Mafush, 9st; Best Chance, 8st 2lbs; Moonspot, 8st 2lbs; British King, 7st 12lbs; Baldwin, 7st 9lbs.

THE RACE:—Raspberry led, with British King close behind, and Mafush, Baloz and Majesty not far away. Raspberry kept the lead until coming into the straight when he fell away beaten. Baloz seemed to have the race at his mercy, but Majesty, challenging him with great vigour, won an exciting race by a head. Four lengths between second and third.

TIME:—1 min 21 1-5 secs.

THE TOTALISATOR returned Rs. 20 on a winning ticket, and Rs. 13, Rs. 15-8 and Rs. 60 on places.

(Winner trained by T. Tingey.)

THE NOVICE PLATE.—5-45 p.m.

Winner Rs 750; second Rs 250; third Rs 150. For Maiden Arab Ponies; 14 hands and under 14 hands to carry 9st 3lbs, W I. Distance—6 furlongs.

Mr Lyon's Brandy II, 8st 11lbs.....Evans 1
Mr Abdulla Mana's Abdul Aziz, 8st 11lbs..Native 2
Mr Baboo's Agent, 7st 13lbs .....Etul 3

ALSO RAN:—Real, 9st 3lbs, Taki Khan, 9st 3lbs; Sumarmud, 9st 3lbs, Longboat, 9st 3lbs; Khedavi Miseer, 9st; Moyaid, 9st; Peerage, 8st 11lbs; Lord Timons, 8st 8lbs; Grey Ghost II, 8st 5lbs; Jamal Beg, 8st 5lbs; Geordie, 8st 5lbs; Dinar, 8st 5lbs Jalnaa, 8st 2lbs; Fawl Beg, 7st 13lbs; Mahboob, 7st 13lbs; Lot, 7st 4lbs.

THE RACE:—After much delay, Brandy II led from Grey Ghost from the start, Mahboob running third. Coming round the bend, they strung out into a procession. Down the straight, Brandy II came away to win as he liked. Abdul Aziz had looked dangerous at the third furlong, but was beaten by four lengths. Three lengths separated second and third.

TIME:—1 min. 24 secs.

THE TOTALISATOR paid Rs. 20 on a win, and Rs. 15-8 Rs. 499 and Rs. 45-8 on places.

(Winner trained by Mahomed Jamal.)

CALCUTTA RACES.

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.)

CALCUTTA, JAN. 1.

Their Excellencies took lunch with the Stewards. The attendance was the largest on record. The falls were numerous, but no serious injury to man or beast.

AMATEUR PONY STEEPLECHASE.—2 1-4 miles.

Mr. Pugh's Blue Bird, 11st. .....Capt. Robertson 1
Capt. Wood's Marconi, 12st. .....Owner 2
Mr. Muir's North Shore, 11st. .....Mr. Thomas 3

ALSO RAN:—Hurtingham, 10st. 5lbs. (fell.)

BETTING:—Four to five Blue Bird, twos Marconi, sevens North Shore, twelves Hurlingham. Totes paid Rs. 19 for win, Rs. 12 and Rs. 12 for places.

Won by lengths, 30 lengths between second and third.

TIME:—5 mins., 28 secs.

TRIAL CHASE PLATE.—2 1-2 miles.

Major Stratton's Ardgrass, 10st. 10lbs.....Quinn 1
Mr. Kenworthy's Sholto, 11st. 10lbs.....Owner 2

ALSO RAN:—Councillor, 11st. (fell); Chow Chow, 10st. 10lbs. (fell); Rip Rap, 10st. 10lbs. (fell).

BETTING:—Four to five Ardgrass, threes Councilor, sixes Sholto and Chow Chow, tens Rip Rap.

Totes paid Rs. 21 to winner, Rs. 14, and Rs. 20 for places.

Won by 2 1-2 lengths.

TIME:—5 mins. 12 4-5 secs,

INDIAN GRAND NATIONAL.—3 miles.

Mr. Burjorjee's 'Herald 10st. 9lbs....Mc Neilage 1
Mr. Scott's Proprietor, 12st. 7lbs...Northmore 2
Mr. Marshall's Kippling, 9st. 7lbs.....Quinn 3

ALSO RAN:—Coal 11st 7lbs; Sea Lad 11st. (fell); Tommy Daw, 9st. 10lbs. (fell); Pilot 9st. (fell); Peer Ray, 9st. (fell).

BETTING:—Six to four Proprietor, threes Sea Lad, sixes Coal and Kipling, eights Herald, longer prices the rest.

Totes paid Rs. 84 to winner, Rs. 21, Rs. 15, and Rs. 17 for places.

THE RACE:—Proprietor led all the way till the last jump, where Herald, who was limping badly all along, collared him, and won the race by 3 lengths, 11 lengths between second and third.

TIME:—6 mins. 42 secs.

FIRST PONY STEEPLECHASE.—2 1-4 miles.

Mr. Butlin's Alton, 9st. 13lbs.....Quinn 1
Mr. James' Ormley, 8st. .....Barker 2
Capt. Wood's Winter, 11st 10lbs.....Northmore 3

ALSO RAN:—Miss Clare, 11st 7lbs (retired).

BETTING:—Four to five Winter, six to four Alton, fours Ormley and Miss Clare.

Totes paid Rs 27 to winner.

THE RACE:—Rs. 16 and Rs. 27 for places.

The three raced together till the last turn for home, where Winner dropped back. Alton won from Ormley by 3 lengths, 30 between second and third.

TIME:—5 mins. 2 2-5 secs.

AMATEUR STEEPLECHASE.—2 1-2 miles.

Mr. Cockell's Daisy Friam, 11st 5lbs...Mr. Hilliard 1
Mr. Pugh's Peer Ray, 11st 5lbs....Capt. Kenworthy 2
Mr. Steeleperker's Sincerity 11st. 7lbs...McNeilage 3

ALSO RAN:—Althore, 11st.

BETTING:—Five to four Daisy Friam, twos Peer Ray, fours Sincerity, sixes Allthorn.

Totes paid Rs. 28 to winner, Rs. 16 and Rs. 16 for places.

Won by 2 lengths, 25 lengths between second and third.

TIME:—5 mins. 29 secs.

AVENUE PLATE.—6 furlongs.

Thakur Scipal Singh's Mayfly 9st. 9lbs...Quinn 1
Mr. Norton's Spook, 9st. 13lbs.....Hardy 2
Mr. Scott's Up Guards, 9st. 7lbs.....Northmore 3

ALSO RAN:—Tom Chancer, 9st.; Glendook, 10st. 5lbs; Brummagem Joe, 9st. 8lbs.; Alpheus, 9st. Mighty Atom Frank 8st. 2lbs.; Lady Leonard 8st. 11b.; Saloon 7st. 12lbs.

BETTING:—Five to two Mayfly and Spook, fours Tom Chancer, sixes Up Guards longer prices the rest.

THE RACE:—Up Guards led, followed by Saloon, then Frank and Mayfly the rest a few lengths off. In the straight Mayfly came away and won by 1 1-2 lengths, a short head between second and third.

TIME:—1 min. 16 2-5 secs.

Totes paid Rs. 44 to the winner, Rs. 15, Rs. 16, and Rs. 20 for places.

PONY HANDICAP PLATE:—5 furlongs.

Mr. James' Village Girl, 10st. 7lbs.....—tiardy 1
Mr Fergusson's Rupert 9st. 7lbs .....Butler 2
Messrs. Valentine and Vernon's Lady Ratcliffe, 7st 10lbs.....Davies 3

ALSO RAN.—The Point 8st. 4lbs.

BETTING.—Four to six Village Girl, six to four Rupert, fours the rest.

Totes paid Rs. 19 for win, and Rs. 15, and Rs. 22 for places.

Village Girl won easily by a length, 3-4 length between second and third.

YACHT CLUB RACES.

The following races will be sailed on Saturday, the 4th January. All entries must reach the Honorary Secretary Sailing Committee, before 6 p. m. to-day:—

A Class, start at 3-10 p.m. Course: Committee Vessels—S Karanja Port—Mark Buoy Port—Committee Vessel—N Karanja Starboard—Committee Vessel—11·93 miles.

Metre Class, start at 3-20 p.m. Course: Same as A Class.

B Class, start at 3 p. m. Course: Committee Vessels—Mark Buoy Port—Committee Vessels—Tucker Beacon Starboard—Committee Vessel. 9·6 miles.

C Class, start at 3-30 p.m. Course: Committee Vessel—Mark Buoy Starboard—Committee Vessel—Short Course. 6·84 miles.

Ships' Boats, start at 3-40 p.m. Course: Committee Vessel—Tucker Beacon Starboard—Committee Vessel. 4-4 miles.

MAIL NOTES.

MR. F. R. SHACKLETON.

A message has been received at Scotland Yard from Detective-Sergeant Cooper, who was sent out to Portuguese West Africa to bring back Mr. F. R. Shackleton to England, stating that he has reached Loando, where the prisoner is in custody. As no boat leaves for England until January 18, Mr. Shackleton will not appear at Bow Street until early in February.

AUSTRALIAN CRICKETERS.

The Australian Board of Control a Sydney mesage says, in thanking Mr. Crouch for his report, appointed a sub-committee of five to inquire into the conduct of certain members of the Australian cricket team which visited England last summer. It is understood that two players are chiefly concerned in the matter. Evidence is very difficult to obtain. Mr. Crouch considered it his duty to report the matter to the Board of Control. Mr. Gregory refuses to be interviewed. He says that what he has to say must be first said before the Board of Control.

SUFFRAGETTE MOBBED.

A Suffragette who was addressing a meeting on Brighton Town Lower Esplanade, on Dec. 8, was asked "Why did not Queen Victoria secure votes for women?" The speaker retorted that Queen Victoria was a hypocrite, because she said women were not made for governing, yet she governed the country herself. A man, who was described as a London barrister, asked the lady to withdraw the statement, and the latter replied: "I will not. It is true." The man said: "Then, you shall not say another word to this meeting if I can help it." The speaker was howled down by the crowd, the platform stormed, and the Suffragette colours torn to pieces. The police escorted the lady away.

TRAP FOR AN ARMED CRIMINAL.

An armed criminal was arrested on Dec. 8th, at the Brussel's Palace of Justice through the presence of mind of an elderly woman of independent means, named Van Houter. She had received threatening letters demanding money, says the "Sorr." On Dec. 8th, a man called and told her he had a letter signed by a police official asking her to place notes for the sum demanded in an envelope, so that the police might deliver it at the appointed place. She had her suspicions, and delayed the man until a policeman was met. When he was given into custody, the pseudopolice Van was at first indignant, but later he consented, at the instigation of the authorities to take a letter from the woman to the Salle des Pas Perdus at the Palace of Justice, where two police officers arrested him. There he was found to be carrying a loaded Browning pistol. Threatening letters found on him included one saying that he would kidnap the baby of a woman and that for each day she delayed sending him the money he demanded he would cut off one of the child's fingers.

ANTI-MORMON CRUSADE.

Mormon missionaries have recently been rather active in Ipswich, and the extensive distribution of their tracts led to an unusually large assembly at one of their meetings on December 8. The handsome young fellow—apparently a visitor from Utah, for he spoke with a strong American accent—who conducted the meeting was plied with all sorts of questions, and as these were not satisfactorily answered the meeting was broken up. The Mormon visitor afterwards sought the protection of the police, and though he was surrounded by several he was chased through the town and had to seek refuge in a fruiterer's shop. From this he was ejected and he was afterwards conducted to his lodgings followed by a hooting crowd.

MUTINY ROMANCE.

A pathetic little romance was related to a "Daily Mail" representative in connection with this advertisement in "The Times." The "Army Horse" referred to is now an old lady of seventy-one, married, and with a large family. An Englishwoman, she was at the time of the massacre one of a family of eight brothers and sisters. After that awful day in 1857 she found herself in captivity and utterly alone. Her father and mother had been killed and the whole of the rest of the family slaughtered. She herself was missing for nearly a year. Her relatives thought her dead, but the rebels had carried her off to Allahabad, and she was eventually found and brought to Calcutta. Then she married an Englishman in the postal service, making Calcutta her home, but she yearned for a sight of her native land. Time after time she had endeavoured to arrange a visit to England, but circumstances have always been against her. Now she is hoping that by the sale of the story of her experiences, which she has written in her leisure moments, she may be able to realise her ambition. Miss Kenderline is a cousin of "Miss Horne."

RAG-TIME INVENTOR

That there are fifty different ways of dancing the "turkey trot" is one of those principles of life on which Mr. Mason, of the London Hippodrome, is prepared to stake his honour and his dollars. Mr. Mason is the dance master specially imported from New York to teach principals and chorus how to move in harmony with rag-time music in the forthcoming Christmas revue at the London Hippodrome. He admits having been the first man to tell New Yorkers about the "turkey trot," and he made it clear to them that life had not been worth living before its discovery. He discovered the "turkey trot" and invented for the benefit of continents the "bunny hug," the "ballroom" crawl the "snail drag," and other such joys. At the Hippodrome Mr. Mason is producing the dances and ensembles in Hullo, ragtime! the revue by Mr. Max Pemberton and Mr. A. P de Courville, which is to make its first appearance on the evening of December 23. He has invented some startling effects, and it has been necessary to teach our dancing girls even the first steps in a style that was new to them. Another interesting personality in the "Who's who" of American ragtime is Mr. Louis Hirsch a young New York composer who is writing all the music for the Hippodrome revue. Rag-time fame came his way when he composed the gaby alide when sitting the piano. It is curious," he said, "who a craze has arisen for this style of dance movement. I believe it originated with lazy dancers in the South ern States of America.

THE COOK'S COMMISSIONS.

Steps being taken by the Secret Commissions and Bribery Prevention League to check the boycotting by servants of tradesmen who decline to give them commissions on goods sold to their employers. Two forms are being issued to house-holders by the league. One, which the employer is asked to get his servants to sing, contains a written undertaking that they will not accept any kind of commission for goods supplied to his house. The other is intended for the signature of the employer's tradesmen, undertaking that they will not offer commissions to servants "The extent to which tradespeople are victimised by servants seeking commission is appalling," says Mr. R. M. Leonard, secretary of the league. Hardly a day passes but one or more cases are brought before me. All trades are affected by this pernicious system, which is as widespread in the suburbs as the West End, although, of course, on a smaller scale. The Commission demanded is generally 5 per cent., and sometimes larger. West End establishment, where the butcher bill amounts to £100 a week, this means a profit to the chief of £5 a week. A favourite trick among chefs and cooks who desire a change of butchers because they receive no commission for goods supplied is to omit to clean the utensils in which the joints is cooked, so that the meat bears signs of dirt when served up at table. On the other hand, to get a house in a fashionable quarter of London was the other day offered half a guinea by a butchers traveller if she would spoil the joint supplied by a rival butcher, in order that the custom might be transferred.

VOLUNTEER KITE FLIERS.

Be your own airman and fly your own kite. This, roughly, may be said to be the object of the newly-formed Volunteer War Kites squadron. Man-lifting kite for war use are employed by the Royl Engineers, but at present the Territorial Force lacks instruction in this method. Now comes the Volunteer War Kite Squadron, formed by the Kite and Model Aeroplane Association, a body which has studied the problems of flight for some years. Colonel H. S. Massy, C.B., is the commandant of the squadron, which at present numbers over sixty men, and is affiliated with the London Territorial Association. "During quite 100 days in the year in Great Britain aeroplanes or airship, explained Colonel Massy "find it practically impossible to make flights on account of bad weather. Kites can go up in any kind of whather, so very general in war time should be provided with enough kites and trained men to act as partial substitutes for aeroplanes in scouting work. "We have got a fine lot of men together who will buy their own uniforms and motos-cycles, but we want money to buy our equipment. We propose to run our kite squadron in connection with the wireless section, the value of which will be very great in the sending of information collected from the kites. We want about £400 for kites, £600 for a 25 to 30 h.p. motor-lorry trailor, and the cheapest wireless outfit will cost us £600—£1,500 in all."

FRUIT-CANNING CHARGES.

In the United State House of Representatives on Dec. 12. Mr. Allen, Member for Ohio, introduced a resolution advocating a Congressional investigation into the canning industry of the country. The matter was first brought into prominence by Miss Mary Chamberlain, a student at Vassar, who secured employment in various canneries as an ordinary packer for purposes of sociological study. The publication of her experiences and observations has shocked the nation more than anything since the exposures of the iniquities of the meat packing industry during Mr. Roosevelt's administration. Mr. Allen's resolution sets forth: "That charges have been brought against certain canneries in the United States, that fruits and vegetables intended for human consumption are prepared and canned among filthy conditions by workers who are diseased, and live and work in an environment which makes cleanliness and health impossible, and that women and children of tender years are employed in these conditions for long hours for inadequate pay."

INGENIOUS SWINDLE.

A novel and ingenious fraud, known as the "expert's trick," has been successful in swindling a number of dupes in the French provinces large sums of money. The swindlers flood the provinces with circulars issued from a smart office in Paris offering to find the necessary capital for small trades men wishing to enlarge their business. On receipt of a request for information, the Paris office sends the would-be borrower a long prospectus pointing out the advantages to be gained in dealing with the group of capitalities they represent and asking for full particulars as to the business carried on and the amount of capital needed. After further negotiations the tradesman receives a telegram inviting him to come to Paris at once as the Bank X has offered to interest itself in his business. Nine times out of to the tempting offer is accepted, and the tradesman, confident that success is now within grasp, proceeds to Paris, interviews the secretary of the association, the banker, and after paying a liberal commission to all concerned, is informed that the affair will be concluded as soon as an expert has visited and valued the business in question. The expert comes, also exports his commission, and then returns to Paris, but the capital is never lent. The reason always given is that, unfortunately having reconsidered the matter, the group of capitalists have changed their minds. The unfortunate tradesman may take the case before the courts, but the swindle has been so ingeniously—devised that he never succeeds.

A PASTOR LOCKED OUT.

Differences between a Baptist pastor at Pontypool and his deacons reached a climax on Dec. 8th. Finding the church closed, the gates padlocked and a notice posted cancelling the day's services, the Rev. Daniel Hughes, pastor of the Cranesfaect Baptist Church, broke the locks with a hammer and forced a way into the church, where he conducted a service. About six months ago Mr. Hughes was interrupted in his sermon on two successive Sundays by a member of his church who disagreed with the doctrine he preached. Since then the church has been divided in its allegiance to its pastor, and a month ago the members of the church by a majority of twenty-one votes, decided to call for Mr. Hughes's resignation. This he has declined to tender. He also refused to attend a meeting of the deacons to receive three month's salary in lieu of notice. On Dec. 6th, the deacons learned that Mr. Hughes intended to baptise a number of people whose names had not been submitted to the church. A special meeting of deacons was held, and on their instructions a padlock and chain was fixed to the three large gates at the church entrance. All the windows and doors were also secured, and on Sunday Dec. 8 the following notice was posted on the main doors: "No services will be held to-day. On Thursday at 7.45 p. m. a special Church meeting will be held." Shortly before the hour for service to begin, Mr. Hughes arrived. A number of the members of the congregation and others had already assembled. The pastor's advice claimed over the high railings surrounding the church, tore down the notices on the door and, after trying the padlock on the gates and the locks on the doors, he mounted the steps at the main entrance and addressed the crowd. He wanted to do everything in order. He said the officers and deacons had taken a most unwarranted and illegal step in locking the gates. The pastor then climbed the railings again, obtained a large hammer and, amid applause from the spectators, smashed with the hammer the padlock on one of the gates and also the lock on the gate. He threw the gate open and proceeded to the vestry at the side of the church, where he smashed the glass door with the hammer and then entered the church. He found that an additional lock had been attached to the front door, but again he used his hammer. The assembled crowd poured into the church and the pastor then conducted the service. He referred to the various difficulties that had arisen in the church, and stated that he would conduct a baptismal service that evening at which he would explain the whole position.

GOLF IN CALCUTTA.

Final in the Indian Amateur Championship.

MANN WINS FOR THIRD TIME.

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.)

CALCUTTA, JAN. 1.

The final in the Amateur Golf Championship of India was played to-day, and was won for the third time by A. Mann, a Calcutta golfer. Mann won the championship first in 1908, and again in 1910. To day he met A. I. Steel, a young man recently out from home, and beat him by 5 up and 4 to play.

In the morning round, at the ninth hole, the players were all square, but after that Mann forged ahead and finished the eighteen holes 4 up. Again in the afternoon the players were fairly level at the start, and the first seven holes were halved. Then Mann won one, and was 5 up. At the twelfth hole, both duffed their drives, Steel finding bunker, and Mann the trees. Mann also duffed his second shot, but Steel made a magnificent stroke from the bunker on to the green, within two yards of the pin. At the thirteenth Steel sliced his ball out of bounds, and Mann found bunker, but the hole was halved in 6. Steel, who was palpably nervous, did not use his driver until the sixth hole, and after that he changed round and used, first the driver, and then the iron, and when he used the driver, it was mostly a case of miss hite.

POONA HOMING SOCIETY.

Second Old Bird Race won by Staff-Sergt. Bennett.

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.)

POONA, DEC.

FORTUNE-TELLING IN FRANCE.

Extraordinary Credulity.

The Paris [Correspondent of "Standard" writes :—To judge by a case that has just been tried at Orleans, it is high time that France followed the example of England in making the trade of fortune-telling illegal and a punishable offence in itself. The story told would almost make one think that all the parties concerned had come to life out of M. Beniere recent play "Credulites." The accused was a frail delicate-looking little woman, and her principal adversary was a burly red-faced butcher, making a typical contrast of mind and matter. The man of meat asked the seer, 'What will be the price of mutton in six months' time?' For the modest sum of £4 the lady condescended to give him a quotation. Thereupon the butcher sold all he possessed and bought as many flocks of sheep as he could with the money—and was ruined.

A young woman with an abscess in the arm came for advice, and paid £200 for the following prescription :—"When you leave my house you will touch the tail of the first dog you meet. You will thus pass on your malady to him and be cured." It was simple, but dear—at any price, especially at £200.

This extra lucid clairvoyants nearly drove a poor gardener out of his senses by telling him that he was haunted perpetually by evil spirits. The only way to get the better of them, she said, was to let her shut up these enemies in a skull, which will then be buried by the Five Members of the Council who rule over Nature! And to conquer his invisible foes the wretched man sold his house, his land, all his property, and even his mother's jewels. Another patient of hers was diagnosed to be suffering from tuberculosis of the heart. The witch could not heal her, but succeeded in making her a beggar.

Another old lady who desired to be married was only mulcted in £40 for charm that was to bring about this event. And several others came to testify till the court was sufficiently edified and sent the woman to prison for three years. There is no doubt, however, that as soon as she comes out she will find plenty of other victims, and the feeling of the audience showed that many still believed in her. The number of fortune-tellers in Paris is legion, and once a week in turn almost all the leading newspapers have a column of advertisements of these prophetesses, each of whom promises to predict the future and to guide those who come to her for advice in the flowery paths of success in love and every other phase of life. The usual fee is from four to ten shillings, and presumably the entertainment is worth it, as very few complaints like above come before the courts, and the "clairvoyanties" are usually sensible enough to content themselves with a daily shower of silver and gold, instead of like the "Maid of Orleans," asking for bigger sums from those who cannot afford them.

THE NEW DELHI.

Sir J. D. Rees presided on Dec. 12 at a meeting of the Indian Section of the Society of Arts, at which Sir Bradford Leslie, in a lecture on "Delhi, the Metropolis of India," said his observations were intended to give a brief outline of a plan for giving effect to the proclamation of the King-Emperor that Delhi should be the capital city of the Indian Empire. This plan, he submitted, combined such manifold advantages that it should receive careful detailed investigation before any considerable outlay was incurred in the adoption of any other point. Briefly it was this, that the seat of government should be at a city three miles to the south-west of the present city, in order that the insanitary conditions of the latter might be avoided. The climate of the present city was malarious, especially in the cold season, because of the vicinity of the low-lying undrained bed or "Kadr" of the Jumna river. Except for a slight fall from north to south, that river was dead flat, and as the flood waters subsided became a malaria nidus many square miles in extent. Considering the improved knowledge of tropical hygiene, of which Col. Gorgas and his staff had taken advantage with such striking results in the construction of the Panama Canal, measures might and should be taken to place Delhi at least on a par with Calcutta in point of salubrity. What he proposed was that the swampy dry-season bed of the Jumna river should be converted into a lake by throwing a dam with an overfall weir across the river a short distance below the south, or Delhi, gate of the city. In the first instance, the height of the weir must be sufficient to cover the bed of the river with a sheet of water deep enough to float the dredging plant, by means of which embankment and reclamation on both sides of the river would be effected. The new capital would be contiguous to, and an integral part of, Delhi proper. It would be served by the existing central station, and would not require the construction of a special branch railway to connect it with the outer world. Whether or not his scheme commended itself to the authorities, it was imperative that the insalubrity of Delhi should be remedied, and in no other way could it be effectively dealt with. His Majesty's act would then happily result in a far-reaching development, which would make him the founder not only of an official home for the Government during its sojourn in the plains, but of the manufacturing, trading, and commercial metropolis of India. With regard to the architecture of the official quarter of the new capital of India, he held it would be, more original and imaginative than the recent architecture of Parliament Square, were are traffic Street in London. That street ended abruptly at Parliament including the Coronation procession, had to negotiate a right angle, suggesting some relief in the shape of a rounded corner, but at this, the finest site in Westminster, no better treatment could be found than a square corner with rusticated quoins, totally indifferent to the convenience of public traffic. However, the public accepted such architecture as inevitable, and foreigners were too polite to criticise. (Laughter.)

The chairman, in initiating a discussion, said he happened to know that Sir Bradford Leslie was not in favour of the removal of the capital of India to Delhi, and he was himself of the opinion, though he speakers that that question was not one they had assembled to consider. It was a "fait accompli," and many doubtless would agree with Sir Bradford in making the best of the matter out of a feeling of loyalty to the King. New Delhi projected by Sir Bradford would be a magnificent one, and, unless Mr. Ramsay MacDonald was sailing to-morrow with sealed orders, which he was to open on his arrival in India, for the settlement of this and any other little outstanding question—(laughter)—the Government could not do better than call Sir Bradford in to their counsels. (Hear, hear.) Among those who took part in the discussion were Sir M. Bhownaggree, Sir George Birdwood, Professor Simpson, and Mr. Havill.

EUROPE AND ASIA.

Sir Francis Younghusband lectured to a largely-attended meeting of the Central Asian Society on Dec. 11 on the reciprocal influence of Europe and Asia on each other. Lord Ronaldshay was in the chair. He said that those who had spent the best years of their lives amid the great spaces of Asia formed the habit of thinking in long periods of thinking in long periods of time and could realise how recent the civilisations of both the East and the west were. In many directions and especially in religion, Asia had profoundly influenced Europe, but on the whole it was the influence of Europe on Asia that was most noticeable in recent time and in the present day. After applying this generalisation to the case of China, he pointed out that while much of European civilisation is intensely distasteful to Asiatics, they are feeling that if they are to keep any position in the world they must approximate to European standards of civilisation.

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THE TWO SERVICES.

The difference between the battleships which are being built as part of this year's programme, and those of the "Dreadnought" group which have gone before, is quite as distinctive as the difference between the same ship of modern fighting leviathans and her predecessors now known as pre-Dreadnoughts." Some distine features are already showing themselves in the "Iron Duke" group, which are entering the completing stage, but these are only the shadows of coming events. In the ships now in their earliest stages of construction and which will follow the "Iron Dukes" into the first fighting line, there will appear the single mast to carry the wireless installation, turtle-back upper deck composed of stout armour plates, and armoured hoods over the funnels of the vessels, which are so fitted to meet the overhead bomb dropping attack of aircraft. The control of gunfire will likewise be exercised by officers housed in armoured towers, so placed as to secure an all-around, uninterrupted view of the horizon, so far as this can be accomplished ; while the wireless operator and instruments will also be placed behind armour plates. The increased size and lesser number of heavy guns—eight weapons of 15in. calibre—backed by a powerful secondary battery of 6in. guns, will put the displacement up to about 27,000 tons, and so place many eggs in one basket ; but it must be admitted that such vessels will give us a new lead in naval construction and push us still further a head of our rivals in all that goes to produce an invincible fleet in the first fighting line.

Among the best of the good things which were jointly introduced by that curiously defferant pair of distinguished naval officers, Lord Fisher and Lord Charles Beresford, is that of having reduced the age for British Admirals employed on active service. As an instance of their united works in this direction it may be pointed out that the youngest Rear-Admiral in the British Navy, Rear-Admiral Beatty, has, at the age of 41, been appointed to the important command of the First Cruiser Squadron. This is almost going back to the Nelson period of occasional young flag officers, such as the great hero himself was. Rear-Admiral Beatty followed Rear-Admiral Beyley, who is 55 years of age. The value of young flag officers of the Beatty type is that by a succession of commands they gain vast experience in handling the huge armoured fleets which are amalgamated for the naval business of to-day, before they become to advanced in age as Sir Arthur Wilson or Lord Charles Beresford himself was, when they first had under their supreme command between one and two hundred ships for the summer manœuvres." A flag officer with such experience while still in the prime of his manhood, is a national assest of almost incalculable value to a country like, ours, which leans so heavily upon the Navy for its very existence. Another notable naval appointment during the last few weeks was that of placing Vice-Admiral Jackson in charge of the War Staff of the Navy. It is scarcely possible to conceive a bettir selection for this important post.

The additions, and promised additions, which are being made to our Fleet by our Colonies and Dependencies have a side to them which is not always apparent to the layman. The side which is not always discernible is the manning difficulty. If, as is suggested, and which should be the case, the naval gifts are to be made and accepted as supplementary, at least for the present, to our naval strength, then the manning difficulty will undoubtedly be intensified. Fortunately the naval training establishments have already been enlarged and augmented to meet the necessities of the enlarged building programme imposed upon the Mother Country by our naval rivals, and more inflation is possible if our present machinery should prove to be inadequate to our needs. But it must not be forgotten that the present booming prosperity of the country is absorbing much of the raw material out of which trained naval men are made, and it will become increasingly difficult to raise the number of men, we shall want to man the extra ships which we hope to possess in from two to three years' time. To meet this manning need of 1915 men and boys will be required in abnormal numbers in 1913-14. We are assured that, notwithstanding the boom in trade, naval recruits have been plentiful during the last two years; and if this is so, all desirable men who now offer should be accepted, since the supply may not equal an increased demand in a few months' time. The help we shall receive in men from the Colonies does not appear to be as great as was at one time anticipated.

The record oversea flight that has just been accomplished by Corporal Fus, of the Engineer Corps of the Argentine army—a flight of 150 miles over the water in 2hr. 22min. on a Bleriot monoplane—shows how wise our naval and military authorities have been in throwing open both wings of the Royal Flying Corps to the rank and file members of our respective fighting Services. There is already quite sufficient evidence to show that certain persons possess what may be called a flying instinct, in the same way that other men possess a distinctive naval or military instinct. And, this instinct is as likely to be found on the lower deck and in the barrack room as on the quarter deck and in the officers' mess. Our naval authorities have recognised this from the first, and placed not only executive officers, but marine officers, as well as accountant and warrant officers, under training at the Sheppey Flying School Naval petty officers have likewise obtained their flying certificates from the same centre, and mechanics are at present under training at the naval school near the port of Sheerness where flying over and alighting on the water on their dew hydroplanes is a part of the course through which pupils will now have to pass. Experience in such work on the fringe of the North Sea should, in a special degree, fit our naval aviators for the work that they may at any time be called upon the perform in the tempestuous weather generally prevailing in those latitudes.

England interests demand that the Latin Great Powers should maintain friendly feelings towards each other. When the Triple Alliance was first formed, the relations between France and Italy being strained, arrangements were made for the passage of an Italian army corps into Germany in case of a war with France, and for the immobilisation of the Armee des Alpes, by the presence of an Italian army on the frontier of Savoy. When the Triple Alliance was renewed, "circa" 1901-2, these dispositions, we are informed, were abrogated. Since then the French Ambassador in Rome has worked earnestly in favour of a "rapprochement" with the Government of Italy. It is therefore, unlikely that the above-mentioned disposition have been revived in the recent renewal of the existing treaty of alliance between Germany, Italy, and Austria-Hungary. The actual situation remains unchanged. The acquisition of Lybia by Italy was agreed to by Austria-Hungary when the latter Power annexed Bosnia and Herzegovina. Moreover the unchanged renewal of the Triplice precludes the extension of the Alliance to Mediterranean questions as Germany long ago declared she was not a Mediterranean Power.

It is understood that the decision of the authorities to quarter at Longmoor a portion of the cavalry who are coming home from South Africa in the early weeks of the new year, is a part of the scheme recently under consideration for abolishing the mounted infantry which has for the past twenty years formed a feature of our military organisations. That there will be a great outcry against the idea of doing away with mounted infantry troops, we can readily believe, but of the wisdom of the decision there can be no doubt, for they have never been either good mounted men, or good dismounted troops, whilst they have been embodied as mounted infantry units. If the resolve to abolish mounted infantry results in the cavalry of the British services being trained to adopt a role consistent with the requirements of modern warfare, then the alteration will be justified, for a cavalry soldier of the present day should be able to fight afoot as well as in the saddle. In other words, the modern cavalry force is more than ever the, "arm of opportunity." Perhaps the persons most benefited by the proposed change will be the regimental staff of infantry units, who for years past have found it an ever-increasing task to furnish satisfactory sections for mounted infantry training. It is quite enough nowadays to have on hand the task of keeping an infantry battalion up to form, when every available officer and man is present with his unit, without meeting the drain on the best personnel that M. I. sections have always made.

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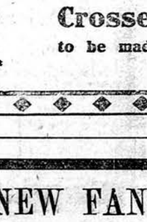

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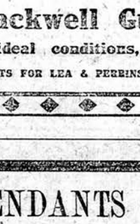

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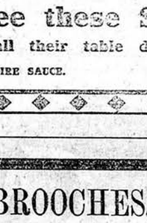

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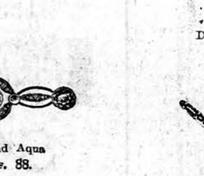

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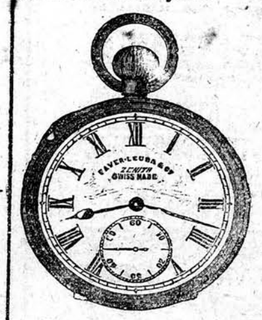

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